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Submission Title: A Qualitative Description of Nurses' Psychological Responses in Caring for COVID-19 Patients

Dear Dr. Suhartini Ismail,

Thanks for submitting the manuscript to "The Open Nursing Journal". Your manuscript has been reviewed by experts in the field, and it needs substantial revision (comments given below/ attached). You are encouraged to carefully revise the manuscript, highlighting the exact changes made.

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Editor's Comments:

What was the research question and how do the authors argue that they addressed this, in the discussion section?

When they revise the manuscript delete this first paragraph as the figures are constantly changing

The World Health Organization (WHO) reported 6,287,771 confirmed COVID-19 cases in 2020, and the number of people who died from the disease in the same year reached 379,941 cases. In the Southeast Asia region, Indonesia ranks the third-highest courtry with the number of COVID-19 cases after India and Bangladesh. To date, the country has recorded 27,549 confirmed cases, 609 new confirmed cases, and death rate of 16.56% of active cases (1,663) [2].

In the abstract they mention *The collected data were analysed using Ello and Kyngas content analysis*. This process and specifically the reference needs more detail in the manuscript methods section.

The results section is far too short and needs to be explained with further quotes to about double the current word count.

Unless this actually came from the study (in which case it ought to be in the results) this paragraph is irrelevant and should be deleted:

In dealing with stress, every individual has different strategies that they think are useful and beneficial. Several strategies can be used, such as paying attention to basic needs (eating, drinking, and resting), working shorter shifts if possible, and allowing sufficient time for recovery. One calming strategy that can be used when stress levels are high is the FACE strategy: Focus on what is within in your control, Acknowledging thoughts and feelings, Coming back into your body (being mindful of your body by pressing your feet on the floor or pressing your fingertips together), and Engaging yourself by "doing," such as refocusing on the activity you are doing with your hands. Nurses also talk to their colleagues who may be related to what they are going through and may need support. Doing meditation and mindfulness during breaks at work or outside of work can also help reduce fatigue and stress, along with having a peer support conversation with a colleague as part of one's support system [20].

Make sure to re-read for typos and to submit a rebuttal letter and a revised manuscript showing the changes.

Reviewer Comments:

Reviewer 1:

A Qualitative Description of Nurses' Psychological Responses in Caring for COVID-19 Patients

This is a solid qualitative study of nurses' responses to acute COVID patient care.

A few suggestions would strengthen the manuscript.

- 1. There are several studies cited by the authors with similar titles and content. The authors should make a stronger case for "what is new" with their study above and beyond what already exists in the literature.
- 2. The title should reflect the context of the study.
- 3. The results should conform to the questions asked. There are 5 questions, but only three themes are generated. It would be more instructive to have each questions' responses coded separately. This would assist in ensuring that the results and discussion followed more directly from the methods.
- 4. There needs to be a comparison in the Discussion of how the findings of this study are similar to and unique from other studies. This again, will help address the issue of "what is new here?"
- 5. The writing style is good and easily readable. However, there are some grammatical issues that need to be addressed.

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Regards, Sehrish Khan Assistant Manager The Open Nursing Journal

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Dear Sehrish

Thank you very much, and I will carefully read a comment from the reviewer and revise it.

Regards

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