

Letters to the Editor

Manual of Family Typology Scale

Sir,

This is in response to the review of "A Manual of Family Typology Scale" by Dr. S. K. Verma which appeared in July 1985 issue of the *Journal*. I on behalf of the authors, acknowledge the valuable comments and suggestions given by the reviewer. However, few points need clarification, which might be very useful for readers. For example, para number two, the 33 variables are : (i) 28 items, (ii) 4 sub-total of each of the 7 items for each type of family, and (iii) grand total.

As suggested in para number three, mean scores and standard deviations are :

Normal population : Mean 32.64

S.D. 11.03 and

Patient population : Mean 41.16

S.D. 3.895.

The means and standard deviations for the different types of patients will be given in the revised manual. As described in the

manual, after evaluation of the patient, the scale was administered to the patient's relative and the difference between the responses of the patient and the patient's relative was found to be not significant statistically. This is enough evidence of the consistency of responses. Hence, there is no need for test re-test reliability.

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