

Supplementary Materials: The following supporting information can be downloaded at: <https://www.mdpi.com/article/10.3390/children10050787/s1>,

Assessment of child protection behavior:

The following 11 items were asked to assess child protection behavior.

Table S1. Corrected item-scale correction values of the scale and changes in Cronbach's Alpha.

| Scale PB | Corrected Item-Scale Correlation | Changes in Chronbach's Alpha due Item Exclusion |
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| 1. I was worried of my child's health because of COVID-19. | 0.455 | 0.703 |
| 2. I washed the hands of my child more often and disinfected contact surfaces more frequently. | 0.474 | 0.700 |
| 3. My child wore a breathing mask. | 0.267 | 0.733 |
| 4. I thought more about the nutrition of my child. | 0.445 | 0.706 |
| 5. I gave my child dietary supplements. | 0.323 | 0.721 |
| 6. My child got alternative medication. | 0.291 | 0.725 |
| 7. My child went to school by private vehicles. | 0.399 | 0.711 |
| 8. I missed social and familiar support because of COVID-19. | 0.321 | 0.723 |
| 9. I was worried to take my child to therapies like physiotherapy, ergotherapy or others. | 0.535 | 0.691 |
| 10. My child took part in less therapies because of COVID-19. | 0.456 | 0.703 |
| 11. I was worried of too less therapies for my child. | 0.241 | 0.733 |

Note. N = 2382. Scale Cronbach's alpha = 0.733. A 7-point Likert scale was used for each item (ranging from "1 = strongly disagree" to "7 = strongly agree").

Table S2. Results of descriptive subgroup analysis—prevalence of generalized anxiety symptoms, depression symptoms, COVID-19-anxiety and child protection behavior.

| | | Medium | Cut-Off Values [%] |
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| 18–24 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.7 | GAD ≥ 5 39.5 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 10 16.1 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 15 8.1 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.2 | PHQ ≥ 3 33.9 |
| | PB | 29.3 | |
| | C-19-A. | 19.5 | |
| 25–34 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.5 | GAD ≥ 5 34.5 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 10 14.7 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 15 8.6 |
| Female care-giver' age | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.9 | PHQ ≥ 3 27.5 |
| | PB | 30.4 | |
| | C-19-A. | 18.6 | |
| 35–44 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.7 | GAD ≥ 5 33.8 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 10 15 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 15 9.6 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.7 | PHQ ≥ 3 22 |
| | PB | 31.8 | |
| | C-19-A. | 19.1 | |

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| | 45–54 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 8.1 | GAD ≥ 5 31 GAD ≥ 10 22.4 GAD ≥ 15 13.8 |
| | | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.9 | PHQ ≥ 3 25.9 |
| | | PB | 32.7 | |
| | | C-19-A. | 20.9 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.6 | |
| Marital status | Single | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.9 | GAD ≥ 5 32.3 GAD ≥ 10 13.1 |
| | | PB | 31.1 | GAD ≥ 15 10.9 PHQ ≥ 3 28.4 |
| | | C-19-A. | 18.5 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.5 | |
| Family Role | Married | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 5 34.4 GAD ≥ 10 15.5 |
| | | PB | 30.7 | GAD ≥ 15 8.5 PHQ ≥ 3 24.9 |
| | | C-19-A. | 18.9 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.4 | |
| Relationship | Relation-ship | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.0 | GAD ≥ 5 37.6 GAD ≥ 10 12.7 |
| | | PB | 30.6 | GAD ≥ 15 8.6 PHQ ≥ 3 30.3 |
| | | C-19-A. | 18.5 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 8.3 | |
| Foster mother | Divorced | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.0 | GAD ≥ 5 21.5 GAD ≥ 10 23.1 |
| | | PB | 33.6 | GAD ≥ 15 16.9 PHQ ≥ 3 29.2 |
| | | C-19-A. | 19.7 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 10.3 | |
| Widowed | Widowed | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.3 | GAD ≥ 5 33.3 GAD ≥ 10 66.7 |
| | | PB | 44.0 | GAD ≥ 15 0.0 PHQ ≥ 3 0.0 |
| | | C-19-A. | 21.7 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.6 | |
| Mother | Mother | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 5 34.6 GAD ≥ 10 15.0 |
| | | PB | 30.8 | GAD ≥ 15 9.0 PHQ ≥ 3 26.4 |
| | | C-19-A. | 18.9 | |
| | | Generalized anxiety | 4.4 | GAD ≥ 5 0.0 |

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| | (GAD-7) | | GAD ≥ 10 20.0 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.6 | GAD ≥ 15 0.0 |
| | PB | 33.6 | PHQ ≥ 3 20.0 |
| | C-19-A. | 16.2 | |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.0 | GAD ≥ 5 35.1 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.6 | GAD ≥ 10 13.3 |
| University | PB | 30.1 | GAD ≥ 15 6.4 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.3 | PHQ ≥ 3 21.4 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.7 | GAD ≥ 5 34.7 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.9 | GAD ≥ 10 14.3 |
| Higher educa- tion entrance qualify-cation | PB | 30.6 | GAD ≥ 15 10.2 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.9 | PHQ ≥ 3 26.9 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.9 | GAD ≥ 5 34.1 |
| Education level | Secondary ed- ucation | Depression (PHQ-2) | GAD ≥ 10 17.8 |
| | PB | 2.0 | GAD ≥ 15 9.6 |
| | C-19-A. | 31.6 | PHQ ≥ 3 30.8 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 7.3 | GAD ≥ 5 27.7 |
| Lower secound- ary education | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.0 | GAD ≥ 10 15.8 |
| | PB | 32.4 | GAD ≥ 15 14.8 |
| | C-19-A. | 19.7 | PHQ ≥ 3 29.6 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 9.2 | GAD ≥ 5 80.0 |
| No qualifica- tion | Depression (PHQ-2) | 3.2 | GAD ≥ 10 0.0 |
| | PB | 28.0 | GAD ≥ 15 20.0 |
| | C-19-A. | 20.0 | PHQ ≥ 3 40.0 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 10.6 | GAD ≥ 5 34.9 |
| Previously diag- nosed psychiatric dis- order | Depression (PHQ-2) | 3.0 | GAD ≥ 10 14.2 |
| Yes | PB | 32.1 | GAD ≥ 15 7.4 |
| | C-19-A. | 21.4 | PHQ ≥ 3 24.4 |
| No | Generalized anxiety | 6.3 | GAD ≥ 5 29.5 |

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| | (GAD-7) | | GAD ≥ 10 24.8 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.7 | GAD ≥ 15 29.5 |
| | PB | 30.7 | PHQ ≥ 3 50.9 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.6 | |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.7 | GAD ≥ 5 32.9 |
| ≥100,000 | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 10 15.2 |
| | PB | 30.7 | GAD ≥ 15 10.0 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.8 | PHQ ≥ 3 25.4 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.7 | GAD ≥ 5 35.5 |
| ≥20,000 | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.9 | GAD ≥ 10 15.8 |
| | PB | 30.7 | GAD ≥ 15 9.2 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.9 | PHQ ≥ 3 28.7 |
| City size population | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.4 | GAD ≥ 5 34.9 |
| ≥5000 | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 10 15.6 |
| | PB | 30.6 | GAD ≥ 15 7.3 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.9 | PHQ ≥ 3 24.4 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.4 | GAD ≥ 5 35.2 |
| <5000 | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 10 13.8 |
| | PB | 31.1 | GAD ≥ 15 8.6 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.7 | PHQ ≥ 3 26.4 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.5 | GAD ≥ 5 34.9 |
| Employed | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 10 14.7 |
| | PB | 30.9 | GAD ≥ 15 8.4 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.7 | PHQ ≥ 3 24.4 |
| Occupation | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 7.0 | GAD ≥ 5 33.2 |
| Not employed | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.1 | GAD ≥ 10 16.3 |
| | PB | 30.5 | GAD ≥ 15 10.9 |
| | C-19-A. | 19.5 | PHQ ≥ 3 32.8 |
| Child's age | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.2 | GAD ≥ 5 35.1 |
| 0–3 | | | GAD ≥ 10 13.4 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 15 7.6 |

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| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | PHQ ≥ 3 24.9 |
| | PB | 30.1 | |
| | C-19-A. | 18.6 | |
| 4–6 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 7.7 | GAD ≥ 5 34.5 GAD ≥ 10 19.3 GAD ≥ 15 12.4 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.1 | PHQ ≥ 3 32.6 |
| | PB | 32.4 | |
| | C-19-A. | 19.6 | |
| 7–10 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 7.4 | GAD ≥ 5 32.1 GAD ≥ 10 21.0 GAD ≥ 15 11.1 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | PHQ ≥ 3 25.8 |
| | PB | 32.9 | |
| | C-19-A. | 19.2 | |
| 11–17 | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 8.0 | GAD ≥ 5 29.1 GAD ≥ 10 16.3 GAD ≥ 15 19.8 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.1 | PHQ ≥ 3 31.4 |
| | PB | 34.0 | |
| | C-19-A. | 20.5 | |
| 32–36 weeks | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.6 | |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 5 33.9 |
| | PB | 31.1 | GAD ≥ 10 13.7 |
| | C-19-A. | 19.0 | GAD ≥ 15 10.1 PHQ ≥ 3 21.7 |
| Gestational age of preterm children | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.4 | |
| 28–32 weeks | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.7 | GAD ≥ 5 32.3 |
| | PB | 32.6 | GAD ≥ 10 15.1 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.8 | GAD ≥ 15 9.2 PHQ ≥ 3 24.9 |
| ≤28 weeks | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.0 | |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.4 | GAD ≥ 5 29.2 |
| | PB | 32.1 | GAD ≥ 10 13.5 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.5 | GAD ≥ 15 9.0 PHQ ≥ 3 18.0 |
| Child's disease: Yes BPD | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.9 | |
| | | | GAD ≥ 5 27.3 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 10 20.0 |
| | | | GAD ≥ 15 10.9 |

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| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.6 | PHQ ≥ 3 21.8 |
| | PB | 35.2 | |
| | C-19-A. | 19.9 | |
| No | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.4 | GAD ≥ 5 33.3 GAD ≥ 10 13.4 GAD ≥ 15 9.6 |
| | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.7 | PHQ ≥ 3 22.1 |
| | PB | 31.3 | |
| | C-19-A. | 18.7 | |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 8.4 | GAD ≥ 5 28.4 |
| Yes | Depression (PHQ-2) | 2.3 | GAD ≥ 10 17.6 |
| | PB | 34.0 | GAD ≥ 15 21.6 |
| | C-19-A. | 21.2 | PHQ ≥ 3 40.5 |
| Asthma | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.5 | GAD ≥ 5 34.7 |
| No | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 10 14.9 |
| | PB | 30.7 | GAD ≥ 15 8.6 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.8 | PHQ ≥ 3 25.9 |
| | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.8 | GAD ≥ 5 35.9 |
| Yes | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.7 | GAD ≥ 10 16.8 |
| | PB | 33.1 | GAD ≥ 15 9.9 |
| | C-19-A. | 19.3 | PHQ ≥ 3 24.4 |
| Operation | Generalized anxiety (GAD-7) | 6.6 | GAD ≥ 5 34.4 |
| No | Depression (PHQ-2) | 1.8 | GAD ≥ 10 15.0 |
| | PB | 30.7 | GAD ≥ 15 8.9 |
| | C-19-A. | 18.8 | PHQ ≥ 3 26.4 |

GAD-7 = generalized anxiety disorder-7, PHQ-2 = patient health questionnaire-2, PB = child protection behavior, C-19-A = COVID-19 anxiety questionnaire.