



Conflictual Parent-Child Relationship and Children's Mental Health

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Message from the Guest Editors

The parent-child relationship is the first and most important bond that individuals develop and is likely to greatly impact youth socioemotional development. A conflictual parent-child relationship is characterized by difficult interactions in which both members of the dyad display negative affect and behaviors. Parent-child exchanges characterized by elevated rates of conflict can place children and adolescents at risk of mental health issues exhibited both in the short- and in the long-term.

There is a particular need for studies addressing this topic. Therefore, we welcome theoretical papers, literature reviews, meta-analyses and empirical works aimed at extending the knowledge about the connection between parent-child conflict and youth mental health, and the potential mechanisms involved in this relationship. Articles addressing potential and effective clinical interventions and prevention programs are also welcome.

We encourage the submission of contributions from all parts of the world, as well as cross-cultural research aimed at comparing different cultural contexts.





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