The Comparison of Drawing Family and the House-Tree-Person Test in Children with Addicted and Non-Addicted Parents

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Abstract

Objective: This study is aimed at comparing results of the draw-a-family test and the house-tree-person test in the children with addicted and non-addicted parents. **Method:** This is a scientific-comparative study in which 50 children with addicted parents attending Tehran rehab centers and 50 children with non-addicted parents who were selected using the random cluster sampling method were measured by means of the draw-a-family test and the house-tree-person test. **Findings:** Results suggest that drawing indices in the are more in the house-tree-Person paintings and family drawings of the children with addicted parents in comparison to the non-addicted group, scoring higher in terms of the number of drawing indices such as depression and anxiety symptoms, weak self-esteem, and valuelessness. **Conclusion:** It can be said that the parents' drug abuse intensifies and expedites children's physical, affective and behavioral problems.

Keywords: drawing indicators-children with addicted parents-draw-a-family test, house-tree-person test

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