LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Authors' Reply to Montoya et al. Comment On: "Tools Measuring Quality of Death, Dying, and Care, Completed After Death: Systematic Review of Psychometric Properties"

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Dear Editor-in-Chief.

We thank Montoya and colleagues [1] for taking the time to read our paper "Tools measuring quality of death, dying, and care, completed after death: Systematic review of psychometric properties" [2] and drawing our attention to their related study. We acknowledge that the short version of the Good Death Inventory may have some positive psychometric properties. Our review identified one paper by Miyashita and colleagues [3] entitled "Good death inventory: a measure for evaluating good death from the bereaved family member's perspective", which explored the psychometric properties of the short version of the Good Death Inventory in the population of interest. This paper reported good internal consistency (Cronbach's alpha 0.85) and reliability (intraclass

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correlation 0.71); however, this study used data collected to assess the psychometric properties of the long version of the Good Death Inventory to develop and assess the properties of the short version. We hope this clarifies our findings and recommendations for more research evaluating the psychometric properties of these tools.

Compliance with Ethical Standards

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