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Reliability and Validity of the Turkish Version of the Moral Development Scale for Professionals

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Background: Moral development is an important element for professionals to achieve their objectives and targets. A scale that measures the moral development levels of professionals has not been encountered in Turkey.

Aim: The present study was intended to adapt to Turkish the Moral Development Scale for Professionals and to access its reliability and validity.

Methodology: The scale was adapted to Turkish and its linguistic and content validity was assessed in this study. Moreover, the reliability of the scale was accessed by Test-Retest; the internal consistency was checked by Cronbach α , while exploratory factor analysis and confirmatory factor analysis were also conducted.

Results: The factor analysis applied showed that the eigenvalue of the two factors were 4.112 and 1.140 respectively. The variance percentages of the factors were 34.267% and 9.496%, respectively. The total variance explained by the factors was found to be 43.764%.

Conclusions: The translated in Turkish Moral Development Scale's properties found to be very satisfactory indicating that the scale is a reliable and valid instrument for assessing moral development in professionals.

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