

Title: Association Between Personality Disorders and being raised without biological parents

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Introduction

Personality disorder is a form of mental disorder. In which one has a rough and unusual types of thinking, functioning and behaving which is harmful for health. A person with a personality disorder has trouble understanding and relating to situations as well as other persons. In a result, a person who has PD (Personality Disorder) go through with remarkable problems and limitations in relationships, work and social activities. In several cases, one may not realize that he/she has this mental disorder, because his/her way of behaving seems normal to him/her. On the other hand, they may find problems in others for the challenges they face. Normally PD starts to show its symptoms from the teenage years or in the early stage of adulthood (Symptoms and causes, Personality Disorder, Mayo Clinic).

Generally, the main causes of PD are childhood trauma, verbal abuse, high reactivity. Additionally, researchers are beginning to identify few possible genetic factors which can be liable for PD.

Childhood trauma can be a big factor for PD. Every person deserves a normal life and a beautiful childhood. Childhood is the basement of human life. Being raised without parents is not desirable and not easy. It can affect their personality.

Objectives

1. Finding association between personality disorder & being raised without biological parents.
2. To explore who raised by their biological parents suffers from PDs less than who had not.

Literature Review

While I was looking for this are related research, I hardly found any research paper related to my topic question. Although there many articles on PDs and cause factor of PDs. In 2005

[Royce Lee](#) & his team published a research paper with the headline “Childhood Trauma and Personality Disorder: Positive Correlation With Adult CSF Corticotropin-Releasing Factor Concentrations”. In this paper they want to test the hypothesis that early life trauma results in adult stress hormone alterations in individuals with personality disorders, the authors examined the relationship between history of childhood adversity and lumbar CSF corticotropin-releasing factor (CRF). They concluded that consistent with the hypothesis that the severity of early life stress is correlated with stress hormone abnormalities in adulthood, Childhood Trauma Questionnaire total scores and emotional neglect scores were significantly correlated with CSF CRF levels in individuals with personality disorders. The results of this study revealed a direct correlation between CSF CRF levels and history of childhood trauma in men with personality disorders. The results suggest that of all forms of childhood trauma assessed, childhood emotional neglect has the strongest relationship with CRF levels in personality disorders. Simone Hoermann, Ph.D., Corinne E. Zupanick, Psy.D. & Mark Dombeck, Ph.D. researchers scientifically investigate the effect of genetic influence through the use of family and twin studies. These studies was coupled with the developed technologies of neuroscience, have led to the fairly solid conclusion that many personality traits (i.e., dispositions to behave in particular ways across situations and time) are inherited and biologically determined (Cloninger, 2005). [Steven K Huprich 1](#), [Robert F Bornstein](#) published a article with the title “An Overview of Issues Related to Categorical and Dimensional Models of Personality Disorder Assessment”. In this article, they discuss four issues relevant to categorical vs. dimensional assessment of PDs: (a) problems with self-reports in PD patients, (b) methodological issues in behavioral and clinician assessment of PDs, (c) challenges that arise when dimensional models are applied to patient and nonpatient samples, and (d) clinical implications of categorical and dimensional PD models. We suggest that researchers and clinicians address these concerns to avoid implementing a new PD assessment model that-although different from the current system-would otherwise remain fraught with difficulties. As raised by other than biological parents is not always a good experience there might have chance to be a victim of PDs or can have a association between these.

Variables

Variables of my topics are raised by adoptive parents before age 18, raised in an institution, raised by relatives before age 18, ever trouble to work with people at office/work etc. Personality disorders (PDs) can be described as the manifestation of extreme personality traits that interfere with everyday life and contribute to significant suffering, functional limitations, or both. They are common and are frequently encountered in virtually all forms of health care. PDs are associated with an inferior quality of life (QoL), poor health, and premature mortality (Upsala Journal Medical Science).

Methods

I want to estimate is there any association between personality disorder & being raised by other than biological parents. Here are some of my variables & frequency distribution of them. here in every table variable is showing in column & observation are showing in row.

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      S1Q04="RAISED IN AN INSTITUTION BEFORE AGE 18"
      S1Q05="RAISED IN SOME OTHER SITUATION BEFORE AGE 18"
      S1Q01A="AVOID JOBS OR TASKS THAT DEAL WITH A LOT OF PEOPLE"
      S1Q01B="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01C="AVOID GETTING INVOLVED WITH PEOPLE UNLESS CERTAIN THEY WILL LIKE YOU"
      S1Q01D="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01E="FIND IT HARD TO BE 'OPEN' EVEN WITH PEOPLE YOU ARE CLOSE TO"
      S1Q01F="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01G="OFTEN WORRY ABOUT BEING CRITICIZED OR REJECTED IN SOCIAL SITUATIONS"
      S1Q01H="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01I="BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE NOT AS GOOD, AS SMART, OR AS ATTRACTIVE AS MOST PEOPLE"
      S1Q01J="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01K="USUALLY QUIET OR HAVE VERY LITTLE TO SAY WHEN MEET NEW PEOPLE BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE TI
      S1Q01L="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01M="AFRAID OF TRYING NEW THINGS OR DOING THINGS OUTSIDE USUAL ROUTINE BECAUSE AFRAID O
      S1Q01N="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
      S1Q01O="NEED A LOT OF REASSURANCE FROM OTHERS BEFORE MAKING EVERY DAY DECISIONS"
      S1Q01P="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"

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100 S1Q01A="FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE IF NOT CENTER OF ATTENTION"
101 S1Q01B="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
102 S1Q01C="EVER DISCOVERED THAT PEOPLE AREN'T AS CLOSE AS YOU THOUGHT THEY WERE"
103 S1Q01D="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
104 S1Q01E="FLIRT A LOT"
105 S1Q01F="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
106 S1Q01G="DISPLAY EMOTIONS IN OBVIOUS/DRAMATIC WAYS SO PEOPLE ALWAYS KNOW HOW YOU FEEL"
107 S1Q01H="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
108 S1Q01I="OFTEN FIND YOURSELF COMING ON TO PEOPLE"
109 S1Q01J="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
110 S1Q01K="TRY TO DRAW ATTENTION TO YOURSELF BY WAY YOU DRESS OR LOOK"
111 S1Q01L="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
112 S1Q01M="OFTEN MAKE A POINT OF BEING DRAMATIC AND COLORFUL"
113 S1Q01N="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
114 S1Q01O="CHANGE MIND ABOUT THINGS DEPENDING ON PEOPLE YOU'RE WITH OR WHAT READ OR SAW ON TV"
115 S1Q01P="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE"
116 S1Q01Q="OFTEN EXPRESS SELF USING GENERALITIES AND VERY LITTLE DETAIL"
117 S1Q01R="EVER TROUBLE YOU OR CAUSE PROBLEMS AT WORK/SCHOOL OR WITH FAMILY/OTHER PEOPLE";
118
119 RUN;
120 PROC SORT; BY S1Q01;
121
122 proc freq; tables S1Q01 S1Q02 S1Q03 S1Q04 S1Q05 S1Q01A S1Q01B S1Q01C S1Q01D S1Q01E S1Q01F S1Q01G S1Q01H S1Q01I S1Q01J S1Q01K S1Q01L S1Q01M S1Q01N S1Q01O S1Q01P S1Q01Q S1Q01R;
123 run;
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RAISED BY ADOPTIVE PARENTS BEFORE AGE 18				
RAIS01	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	212	28.73	212	28.73
5	614	81.27	826	89.91
9	212	28.73	1038	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

RAISED BY RELATIVES BEFORE AGE 18				
RAIS02	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	546	48.00	546	48.00
5	593	52.00	1139	100.00
9	210	18.00	1349	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

RAISED BY FOSTER PARENTS BEFORE AGE 18				
RAIS03	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	11	0.02	11	0.02
5	11	0.02	22	0.04
9	11	0.02	33	0.06
Frequency Missing = 41679				

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There are 41679 missing values, raised by other than biological parents the

number is 1,131. Secondary variables are 15, 16, 17, 18.

The FREQ Procedure

RAISED BY ADOPTIVE PARENTS BEFORE AGE 18				
STQ2C1	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	378	26.73	378	26.73
2	824	58.27	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

11				
STQ2C2	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	649	45.90	649	45.90
2	553	39.11	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

STQ2C3	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	90	6.39	90	6.39
2	383	27.11	473	33.50
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

18				
STQ2C3	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	11	0.82	11	0.82
2	1131	79.88	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

18				
STQ2C4	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	25	1.77	25	1.77
2	1188	84.67	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

STQ2C1	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	378	26.73	378	26.73
2	824	58.27	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

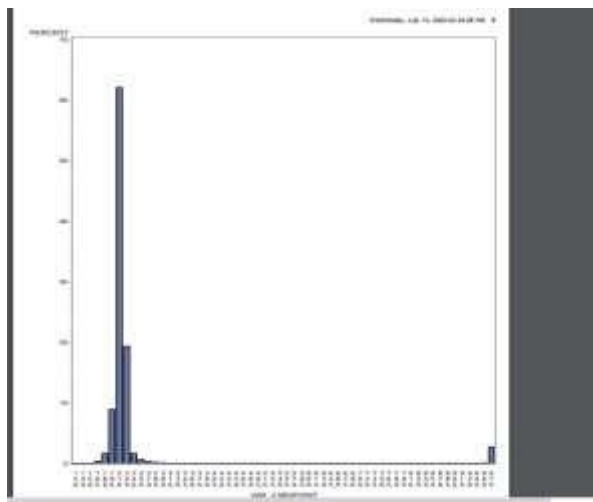
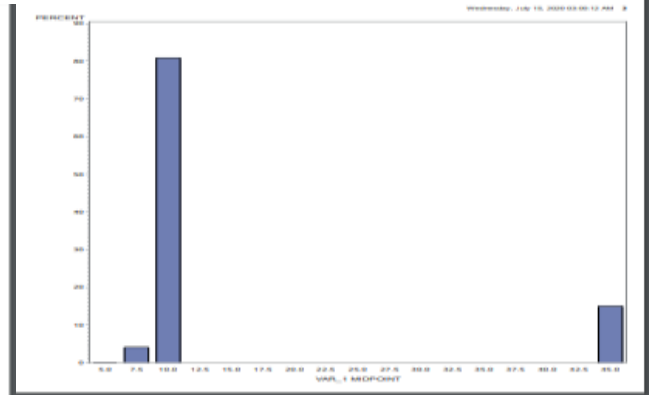
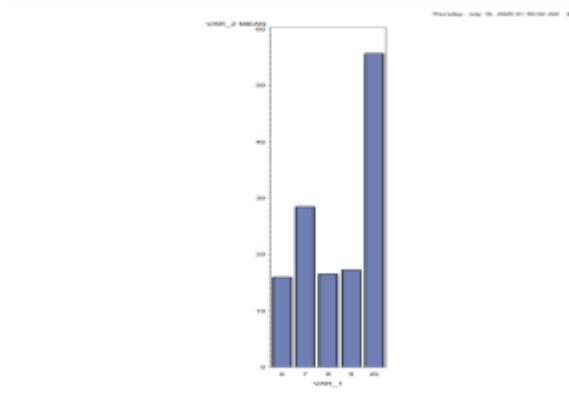
RAISED BY RELATIVES BEFORE AGE 18				
STQ2C2	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	649	45.90	649	45.90
2	553	39.11	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

RAISED BY FOSTER PARENTS BEFORE AGE 18				
STQ2C3	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1	71	5.02	71	5.02
2	1131	79.88	1202	85.01
9	212	14.99	1414	100.00
Frequency Missing = 41679				

Here I created two secondary variable VAR_1(which represents the individuals raised without biological parents) & VAR_2 (which represents the individuals have personality disorders who raised without biological parents). Here VAR_1 is independent variable & VAR_2 is response variable. From the univariate table we see the mean & standard deviation of VAR_1 is 14.35 & 12.87. The mean of VAR_2 is 239.28 & standard deviation is 136.7732. At first created a two univariate for VAR_1 & VAR_2. Below you will see the bar chart for these univariates. Then for categorical explanatory variable VAR_1 & quantitative VAR_2 we get a mean bar chart.

Result

In this we can see although there is linear relationship, we can see a weak positive association between VAR_1 & VAR_2. So, from this bar we also can say that there is a week positive association between personality disorders & raised by other than biological parents.



The UNIVARIATE Procedure
Variable: VAR_1

Moments			
N	1414	Sum Weights	1414
Mean	14.3514851	Sum Observations	20293
Std Deviation	12.0780087	Variance	165.843108
Skewness	1.9618842	Kurtosis	1.88425426
Uncorrected SS	525571	Corrected SS	234336.312
Coeff Variation	89.7329341	Std Error Mean	0.34247116

Basic Statistical Measures			
Location		Variability	
Mean	14.35149	Std Deviation	12.07801
Median	9.00000	Variance	165.84311
Mode	9.00000	Range	29.00000
		Interquartile Range	0

Tests for Location: Mu0=0			
Test	Statistic	p Value	
Student's t	t	-41.90567	Pr > t < .0001

Reference:

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