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### **Autocratic Parenting Style and Adolescent Perseverance: A Moderated Mediation Model**

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**P**ERSEVERANCE, as an important positive mental quality, can predict not only academic performance, but also nonacademic outcomes. The cultivation of perseverance needs the nourishment of a good external environment, including the support of parents, teachers, and peers as well as the influence of socialization, while improper environmental elements such as neglect, autocracy, rough treatment, discrimination hinder the cultivation of individual perseverance.

This study constructed a moderated mediation model to examine the relationship between authoritarian parenting style, self-concept clarity, self-worth, and the development of adolescent perseverance. A total of 2,101 adolescents were tested with the Family Rearing Style Questionnaire, Adolescent Self-reported Perseverance Scale, Self-concept Clarity Questionnaire, and Self-worth Scale. The results showed that: (i) Authoritarian parenting was significantly and negatively correlated with self-concept clarity and perseverance of adolescents and was significantly and positively related to their self-worth; there was a significant positive correlation between self-concept clarity, self-worth, and perseverance of teenagers. (ii) In the mediation chain of autocratic parenting, self-concept clarity, and perseverance, self-worth moderated both the first half and the second half of the path. In the first half of the path, self-worth can alleviate the negative influence of autocratic parenting on the development of self-concept clarity; in the second half of the path, self-worth can enhance the positive impact of self-concept clarity on perseverance.

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