

# **The Relationship of Family Communication Patterns with Coping Strategies and Interpersonal Problems among the Girl Students Studying in the 8th and 9th Grades of the First High School in the Region of Lashtenesha**

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**A family has many functions by which it affects children and determines the way they behave in an environment. Family communication pattern is one of the functions that can affect the children's coping strategies and interpersonal relationships. The current study aims to investigate the relationship among the family communication patterns with coping strategies and interpersonal problems among the girl students studying in the 8th and 9th grades of the first high school in the region of Lashtenesha in the academic year of 2015-2016. This is a descriptive/correlational study and its statistical populations consist of all of the girl students studying in 8th and 9th grades of the first high school. Total number of these students was 344, of which 181 students were selected through the Multi-stage Cluster Sampling method. In order to select the subjects among the first high schools, five schools and two classes each school were randomly selected and all of these students were tested. They completed Koerner & Fitzpatrick's Family Communication Patterns Questionnaires (2004), Endler & Parker's Coping Strategies Questionnaires (1990) and Horowitz, Strauss & Kordy's Interpersonal Problems Scale (2000). Pearson's correlation Coefficient and Stepwise Multiple Regression were performed for the data analysis. Results indicated that there is a positive and significant relationship ( $p$**

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