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# Analysis of Rehabilitation and Treatment Strategies for Violent Offenders in Light of Criminal Psychology Doctrines

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## 1. Round 1

### 1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The sentence, “The purpose of this study was to analyze rehabilitation and treatment strategies for violent offenders in light of criminal psychology doctrines,” could be clarified by specifying which doctrines are the focus.

In the paragraph describing “mental illnesses and violent crimes,” it would be helpful to explicitly define these terms and specify their relevance to the study’s scope.

The discussion on “classical, positivist, and social defense schools” would benefit from a critique of their limitations in addressing modern rehabilitation needs. This could provide a stronger foundation for the study’s argument.

The phrase “anger is an approach-related response rather than an avoidance response” would benefit from a detailed example or explanation within the context of offender rehabilitation.

The mention of anger-related disorders in DSM lacks specific references. Including particular DSM editions or sections on anger-related disorders would enhance the precision of the discussion.

Distinguishing impulsive and proactive aggression in more detail would strengthen the argument, as these behaviors have different implications for rehabilitation strategies.

The sentence, “the therapist aims to establish a positive therapeutic alliance,” could be improved by specifying techniques used in forming this alliance, such as rapport-building strategies or initial assessment methods.

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## 1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The quotes from Socrates and Plato require context to clarify how they directly relate to modern rehabilitation approaches. Consider elaborating on their philosophical relevance to the study.

In the section titled "Rehabilitation and Training of Offenders," the historical context of rehabilitation could be expanded. Adding more recent studies could make the literature review more comprehensive.

When referencing Article 203, it might be useful to clarify its practical implications and relevance to rehabilitation strategies for violent offenders, as the legal terminology could obscure its connection to the main argument.

In the sentence, "There are at least two perspectives on emotions," the scope of how these perspectives affect violent offender rehabilitation could be explained more thoroughly.

The phrase, "for a long time, the focus in criminal phenomena was solely on the direct relationship between crime and punishment," could be expanded to specify what gaps exist in current research and how this study addresses them.

In discussing pharmacotherapy, it would be beneficial to mention specific drugs commonly used in rehabilitation and their effectiveness, along with potential side effects that could impact treatment adherence.

In "encouraging emotional expression," add examples of how specific techniques can be applied to help offenders articulate emotions related to anger and aggression.

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## 2. Revised

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