

Effect of Psychological Climate on Stress Coping Intention through Digital Technology

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Introduction

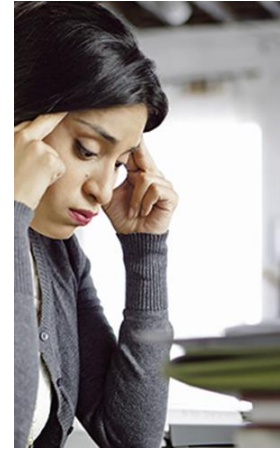
Stress in the in public service comes at high cost:

accidents and injuries (Condrey & Perry, 2005)

triggers mental health problems, such as anxiety and burnout (Lee, 2016), etc.

How do public servants' perception of work environment (i.e., **psychological climate (PC)**) might relate to stress ?

Research Question - The impact of **psychological climate** on **stress copying intentions through physiolytics**



Variables

Psychological Climate (PC) Scale (Psychological Safety and Meaningfulness) (Brown & Leigh, 1996):

Psychological Safety: Supportive Management, Role Clarity, Self-Expression

Psychological Meaningfulness: Contribution, Recognition, Challenge

Felt Stress (FS) Scale (Hoover, 2014)

Intention to Cope (IC) through **physiolitics**, Binary (Yes, No)

Theories

The Theory of Reasoned Action

Attitudes

Subjective Norms

Transactional Model of Stress

Perception of Stimuli

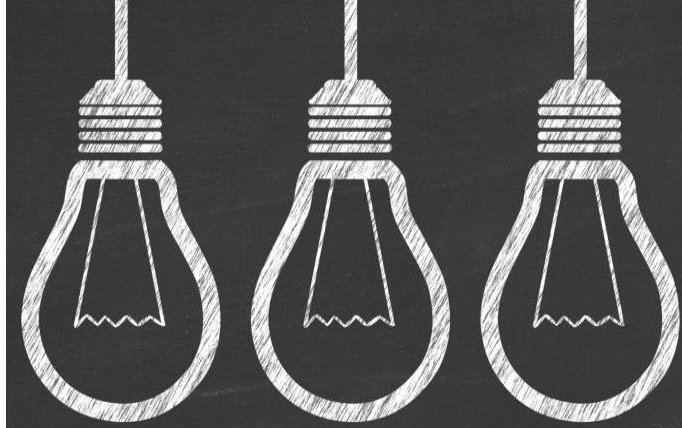
Implementation of Coping Strategy

Other Theories:

Motivational Model (Davis, Bagozzi, & Warshaw, 1992)

Social Cognitive Theory (SCT; Bandura, 1982)

Dual-System Theory, etc.



Data Collection Analytical procedures

Survey in Public Administration, 350 responses, 2019, e-training

Cronbach's alpha

Confirmatory Factor Analysis (CFA)

Structural Equation Modeling (SEM): R package *lavaan*



Results

Hypothesis

Hypothesis 1 (H1): Higher PC decreases FS

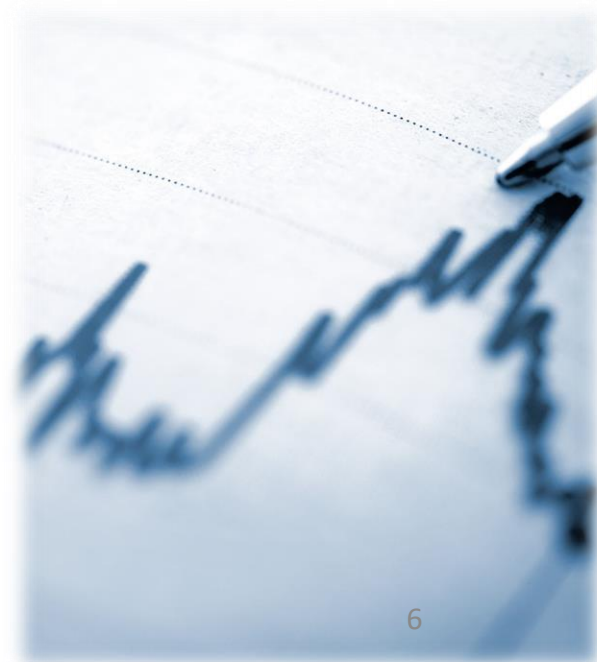
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Hypothesis 2 (H2): Lower PC does not have a direct effect on the inclination to cope through physiolytics

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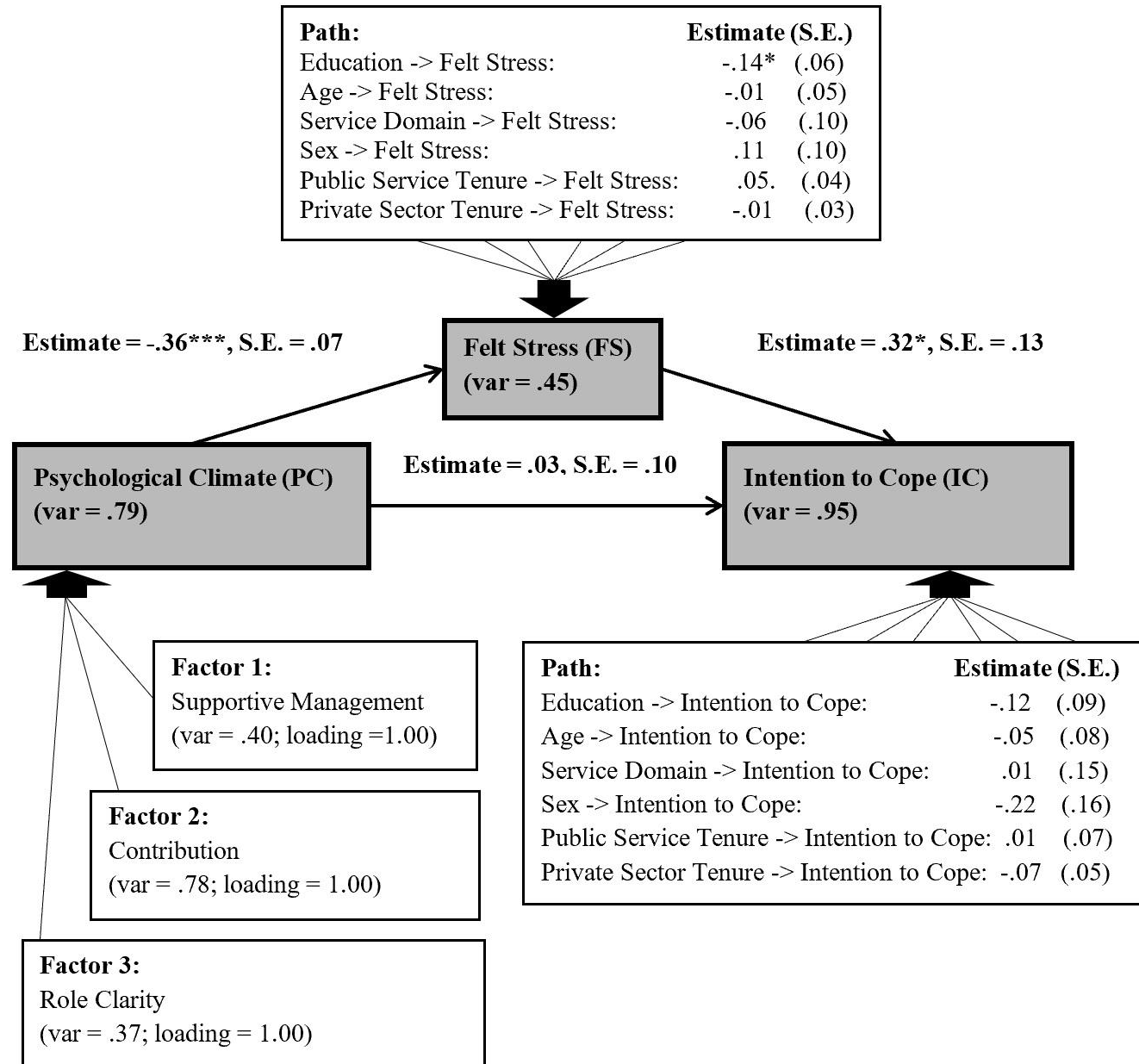
Hypothesis 3 (H3): Higher FS increases the inclination to cope through physiolytics

Supported



Analytical Tests

Final Structural Equation Model showing the relationships between variables



Codes for t-test significance levels: '***' indicates 0.001; '**' indicates 0.01; '*' indicates 0.05; '.' indicates 0.1. 7

Implications and Conclusions

Psychological climate is an **antecedent** of the inclination to cope with stress
→ **Analysis** of Psychological Climate before decision-making on organizational stress-management

More negative perception of psychological work environment **(+) →** higher stress **(+) →** **greater inclination to cope** through digital monitoring

Stress Prevention through greater Psychological climate

Future research

- **Endogeneity Analysis**
- **Propensity score** matching method to improve the randomization property and validity of the findings

