Moral Injury and Attachment Among Veterans: The Moderating Role of Social Support

Previous research has identified relationships between moral injury and social support, and social support and attachment, but there is little research examining the associations between attachment and moral injury, or the potential role of social support in mitigating the effects of insecure attachment on moral injury. The current study examined the moderating effect of social support on attachment and moral injury in a combat veteran sample. Exploratory analyses also examined whether the source of social support (significant other, family, friends/comrades) were differentially associated with veterans’ moral injury symptoms. Findings provide future directions for further research, and potential areas of focus for clinical treatment.