Table 2: Experiences of Families of Iranian Patients with Schizophrenia

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| Main theme | Themes | Subthemes |
| Living in hell | Public unawareness | Public unawarenessLack of proper marriage opportunitiesBelief that the disease is inherited |
| Stigma  | Discrimination To be ridiculedreproach |
| Sense of shame | Hiding the diseaseFear of superimposition |
| Isolation  | Fear of peopleLack of freedom in communication |
| Poor quality of life | Loss of family securitySorrow Academic failureTurmoil in the family |
| Need of support | Financial problemsBurden of careNeed to support |