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#### **ABSTRACT**

The present study was aimed to assess the role of Emotion Regulation and Self-Disclosure in Linking Social Media to Mental Health among adolescents. For this purpose, data was collected through an online survey questionnaire (Google form) consisted on Social networking usage(SNU), Online social network(OSN), Online emotion regulation (OER) & Mental health inventory (MHI5) from 225 adolescent's male and female within age ranged 3-19 (Mean16.15 = SD=2.31) from different school and colleges of Islamabad. The data was analyzed through SPSS-25 version. Results of the study indicated that social media has no significant effect on mental health; however, its subscales, such as socialization, academic, and informative, have a positive significant effect on mental health. Study found no correlation between mental health and self-disclosure. Present study also revealed the relation between social media and mental health which is not significantly moderated by online emotion regulation and self-disclosure. Some additional findings, limitations and recommendations for future studies were also discussed.

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