Reviewer's report

**Title:** The predictive value of mental health for long-term sickness absence: The Major Depression Inventory (MDI) and the Mental Health Inventory (MHI-5) compared

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**Reviewer:** Liana Leach

**Reviewer's report:**

I have no further queries or recommended revisions. The authors provided clear and considerate responses/changes to my previous review.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.