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Thank you for your interest in this paper. Please see my comments and corrections in response to the reviewer.

Reviewer 1: Irwin Nazareth

**Definition of depression.**
My discussion with the psychiatrist involved in the validation of the modified Zung revealed that she used her clinical judgment based on the DSM-IV-TR criteria. This has been included on page 4. Lines 39-41

**Associations vs. predictors.**
These corrections have been made throughout.

**Logistic regression**
An analysis plan was included on page 5 lines 30-37
And the results on page 6 lines 10-37
The Table 2 was also amended to meet the reviewer’s specifications and under the direction of a statistician- Dr George Legall, who is acknowledged on page 12 line 21-22.

The presentation of the Discussion section was re-assessed and sub-headings included.

I trust that these revisions will meet with your approval.

Respectfully

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