Reviewer’s report

Title: Risk factors for mental disorders in women survivors of human trafficking: a historical cohort study

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Reviewer: Michael Gerhard Odenwald

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I congratulate the authors for their extensive revision of the article. Most of my comments have been adequately addressed.

Some remaining issues are:
1. In the description of the social support questionnaire, the second sentence seems to be incomplete, some words seem to be missing (on the second sub-scale). As the social support questionnaire sub-scales achieved unsatisfactory reliability scores in the studied sample, in my eyes, it does not make sense to report in the results on the established sub-scales at all (seems that the authors have reported just on a total scale). However, it is unclear whether you used one of the subscale scores or a total score in your results section and regression analysis. Please clarify and – if correct – mention the total scale and its coefficients in the methods section. You can justify this in the limitations’ section by mentioning that the group differences support the validity of the sum scale.

2. Please mention (in the statistics section and in Table 5) what variables were used for adjustment in the final regression model.

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