Reviewer’s report

Title: Excess Risk of Chronic Physical Conditions Associated with Depression and Anxiety

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Despite the revisions made, I believe there are still unanswered questions including the use of psychotropic medications. The authors stated co linearity as a reason for not including medications in the model, however leaving out a major explanatory factor such as psychotropic medications when one tries to make an association between depression, anxiety and medical conditions is a major flaw. Besides the authors are not accurate in stating that the majority of individuals with self reported depression, anxiety are receiving treatment. Evidence from literature argues otherwise.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests