Reviewer’s report

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Minor revisions

P6 para 1: I think it would be worth mentioning that beliefs about over diagnosis and over use of drugs may also deter people from seeking help even when they need it, thus missing out on appropriate treatment, which may not necessarily involve medication (could be psychological therapies, which the Better Access and Better Outcomes schemes have increased access to), with all the downsides that this might have. This could also be included in the discussion on p13.

While the over-representation of older people is mentioned as a limitation, this is often due to landline only surveys and the author may want to include a recommendation to conduct dual frame (landline and mobile) surveys to assist the better representativeness.

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