Reviewer's report

Title: The Adolescent Depression Rating Scale (ADRS): A validation study

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General
This is an interesting project in an area in which assessment work is needed.

Minor Essential Revisions: This manuscript still contains numerous typographical errors.

The authors refer to their "interview guide" as a "semi-structured interview guide," but semi-structured interview guides generally contain specific questions for the clinician to ask. The one presented here is more of an instruction manual.

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes

Declaration of competing interests:
I am a co-author of the PHQ-A, the Patient Health Questionnaire for Adolescents.