Reviewer’s report

Title: Perception of Epidemic Risk in the French General Population: A Cross-sectional study in the Rhone-Alpes Region

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Minor essential revisions
1. The new version of the manuscript has been essentially improved. However, since 'risk perception' per se was not asked or studied in the survey, this term should be replaced with the actual term used: 'anxiety'. This concerns the whole manuscript, including the title (the title could be e.g.: 'Perceptions of epidemics'...)

2. Abstract: line 4 in the results: please delete the word 'only'.

3. Results: lines 2-3: 'In total, 19% had no qualifications...' - please add either 'educational or professional' between 'no' and 'qualifications'.

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

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.