Reviewer's report

Title: Musculoskeletal comorbidities in cardiovascular disease, diabetes and respiratory disease: the impact on activity limitations; a representative population-based study

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Reviewer: Arpana Verma

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Discretionary revisions only
1. How representative is the sample to the study population?
2. What tests/steps have been used to determine representativeness and to minimise responder bias and non-responder bias?
3. What are the methods used for the weights?
4. Why is there the discrepancy in PAFs with the published literature?
5. Are there any unpublished works that may be useful?
6. How has this study added to the literature?

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

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