Reviewer's report

Title: Socioeconomic conditions of elderly people in Kosovo: a cross-sectional study

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Major Compulsory Revisions

1. Abstract: Most of information in the background section is about methodology. There should be more information on background of the study while a section on methods should be separated.

2. Page 24: Classification of poverty (extreme poor, poor, moderate, fair, not poor) is confusable. The scale should be described more clearly under the section on data collection in page 6.

3. There is still lack of discussion on methodological limitations of the study, especially how stratum sampling affects the distribution of elderly people by socioeconomic factors;

Minor Essential Revisions

4. Page 5: Estimation of sample size should described be for sampling method.

5. Page 22: Presentations on average age and average years of formal schooling are not very appropriate with the format of Table 1.

6. Page 24: Family finances at end of month should be described under the section on data collection in page 6.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.