Reviewer's report

**Title:** Intimate partner violence and help-seeking - a cross-sectional study of women in Sweden

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**Reviewer:** Marie Gantz

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Major Compulsory Revisions

1) Most comments have been adequately addressed. However, I still believe that it would have made more sense to include ethnicity and timing of last IPV in the predictive model in order to control for the enrollment bias. Otherwise, it is not possible to know whether the associations between help-seeking and the other covariates are due to the enrollment bias. Alternatively, I would have liked to see models for the ethnicity and last IPV groups rather than bivariate analyses (as appears to have been done), at least for those groups where the numbers allowed for modeling. It also would have been preferable not to have restricted those subanalyses to variables that were significant in the model.

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

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.