Author's response to reviews

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for the instructive comments from your reviewers concerning our manuscript “Experience of physical violence and mental health among young men and women: A population-based study in Sweden”. The comments from the reviewers have been taken into account and in essence been followed. Our specific answers to the reviewers are given below and the corrections have been marked in bold in the revised manuscript.

Reviewers’ comments to authors with our answers beneath:

Reviewer 1 (Marina Taloyan):

Reviewer: I am fine with the article, only one mistake is noted on p.5: here is social capital mentioned but is missed in abstract and all the text.

Answer: We thank the reviewer for this comment. We have now rewritten part of the Background section on page 5 to clarify that the variables we have used (earlier referred to as social capital) are emotional support, instrumental support and trust.

Reviewer 2 (Olufunmilayo Fawole):

Reviewer: This is the second review and the paper is much improved. No major or minor corrections are recommended. The paper can now be accepted for publication, but it needs some language corrections before being published.

Answer: Language corrections have now been made to improve the quality of the English language.

Kind regards,
Maria Fridh, Martin Lindström and Maria Rosvall