Reviewer’s report

Title: The Healthy Lifestyle and Personal Control Questionnaire (HLPCQ): A novel tool for assessing self-empowerment.

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Minor Essential Revisions:

1. Please mention in the paper the number of participants answered the question “During the previous weeks, have you noticed any changes concerning your everyday living/lifestyle?”

2. Marital status is usually classified as single, married, widowed, and divorced.

Discretionary Revisions:

1. What was mentioned in “Minor Essential Revisions, Number 6” (concerning the variable “presence of disease”) could be seen as an interpretation which is capable to be used in “discussion section”, not a “must” point for “methods section”.

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.