Reviewer's report

Title: Do teachers have more health problems? Results from a French cross-sectional survey

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General
The points indicated has been revised almost desirably in the revised paper. However, A distinct new finding obtained by reanalysis in multiple logistic regression models by gender is very important.

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)
In Table 4a, the risk of lifetime prevalence of anxiety disorders in male teachers is significantly high. Although the author takes this new finding to be "exceptional" (page 11, line 4 from the bottom), it is, in fact, very positive and important. The results confirmed after adjustment for the other confounding variables should be much more emphasized than those obtained by simple comparisons such as in Table 6. The authors should revise the expressions in the Results (page 11, line 5 from the bottom), Discussion (page 15, line 5), Conclusion (page 18, line 2), and Abstract (page 2).
Conclusion should be more concise. The second phrase “In this study - - - urinary tract infections in women, for example” (page 18, line 4) should be moved to the Discussion.

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Unable to decide on acceptance or rejection until the authors have responded to the major compulsory revisions

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.