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I added several minor revisions in the end. If it still has some problems, please contact me in time.

1) The titles of four tables were revised according to the format of publishing.
2) The issue numbers of references were added.
3) The footer of each page was revised.
4) In page 12, "We declare that we have no competing interests" was replaced by "The authors declare that they have no competing interests".
5) In page 13, "We have read and approved the final manuscript" was replaced by "All authors have read and approved the final manuscript".
6) In page 13, "We gratefully acknowledge assistance of the doctors of 323 Hospital, 451 Hospital, the staff of 22 Retirement Centers and those who helped to collect data for this study" was replaced by "The authors wish to thank the doctors of 323 Hospital, 451 Hospital, the staff of 22 Retirement Centers and 12 undergraduates of FMMU for their careful collection of the data and making the
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