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Title: Chronic disease prevalence and care among elderly in urban and rural Beijing, China - a 10/66 Dementia Research Group cross-sectional survey

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Dear BMC Public Health Associate Editor,

Thank you for your email. We appreciate your helpful additional comments and suggestions and have revised our paper accordingly. Our responses and changes are summarised below:

**Associate Editor comments:**

(1) There was an additional review from another reviewer (which possibly/probably did not reach you). This reviewer’s comments were summarized in my comment 3 which I think you sufficiently addressed. [NB: Reviewer Iris Chi's report did reach you - however, you did not address his outstanding concern within your cover letter]

We have considered Prof. Iris Chi’s concern and have added a paragraph at the beginning of the Discussion to address this specific issue.

(2) In the Abstract, it is mentioned that household clustering is adjusted for. It is not mentioned further in the text. Please explain.

We now added a brief description of the household clustering adjustment for Poisson regression, ordinal regression, or General Linear Modelling in the Method section.

(3) The measures section could be structured according to the research questions and analyses, i.e. starting with sociodemographics and health status etc.

We have changed the order in the measures section consistently with other sections in the article.

Thank you again for all the comments and suggestion. If you think we need add more information, please let us know.

Best Regards,

Dr. Zhaorui Liu; Dr. Emiliano Albanese; Prof. Yueqin Huang and Professor Martin Prince for and on behalf of the 10/66 Dementia Research Group