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Minor Essential Revisions.

1. This sentence needs to be rewriting: “A pre-tested ..................................applied at adults household. In addition, episode of toothache ...............was recorded as the outcome.”

2. Minor typos (e.g. page 4 line 21 missing the word to after due).

3. Change the subtitle outcome to Study variables and delete the other subtitle explanatory variables.

4. Information provided on page 5, lines 12-15 is repeated in lines 21-25.

5. The sentence “Individuals who had been edentulous for more than six months were excluded” should follow this sentence that: for self-reporting of tooth loss the following .....................less than 10 teeth or no teeth?

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.