Reviewer’s report

Title: Validity of a self-reported measure of familial history of obesity

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Reviewer: Anne Taylor

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The edits made to the paper have made it more readable and acceptable for publication. Listed below are a few minor points that still need clarification/editing.

Page 3, line 8 – swap “provides” and “mainly”

Page 5, line 21 – delete “The student” and replace with “Student’s”. Also this needs to be a paired t-test, if it is a paired t-test, this needs to be stated, if not, the analysis needs to be done as a paired t-test.

Page 5, line 23 – delete “in” and replace with “using”

Page 6, line 9 – after what does “the next 5-6 days” refer to? Was this after initial contact?

Page 6, line 24 – delete “about”

Page 6, line 2 – delete “back to the research team these informations” and replace with “this information back to the research team”

Page 6, line 3 – remove italics from “and”

Page 6, line 4 – replace “This allowed to calculate BMI” with “This allowed the calculation of BMI”

Page 6, line 12 – see change and suggestion for page 5, line 21.

Page 10, line 15 – replace “was substantial with value of 0.72 indicating a substantial agreement” with “was substantial as indicated by the value of 0.72”

Page 11, line 23 – replace “except among women of the study 1” with “except among the women of study 1”

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.
Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests