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Dear Dr. Lee,

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The authors thank you for conveying further useful referee comment on our paper.

It was to the effect that we needed to give regard to a more appropriate diagnosis than 'depression' derived from the ICD-9 classification used, namely 'affective disorders'. We have taken this advice. As you will see from the newly revised manuscript, tables and figures, we have now used the descriptor 'affective disorders' throughout, including the title, wherever our own work is presented. Where the literature uses 'depression' we have, naturally, retained the term and been circumspect about its equivalence with our study.

Insofar as we understand, there is no other outstanding issue and we commend our paper to you for publication.
With kind regards,

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