Reviewer’s report

Title: Are lifestyle cardiovascular disease risk factors associated with pre-hypertension in 15-18 years rural Nigerian youth? : A cross sectional study

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Major revision:
1. The article is interesting, but it needs to be significantly shortened.
2. Could you please explain Table 4? You wrote Male (%CI, Female (%CI, Total (%CI and 95%CI. What does it mean. Usually, CI is confidence interval and you provided only one number and only in the last column you wrote 95% CI (of what?)

Please provide explanation for different colours in tables 5-10.

3. I don't think that diastolic hypertension and especially prehypertension are important entities in childhood and puberty. Please provide some clinical evidence for this or omit these entities from the manuscript.

4. Are all 12 tables necessary for explanation of results? This is too much for readers. Please try to make this article as more focused as possible. In the current version it is too long. This also includes discussion section (6 pages with only 1.5 space) and reference section (59 references).

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.