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The topic is interesting and there is enough information to understand the impact of cultural context on the findings. The methods are described and are appropriate. Further English editing is required and some changes are included on the attached document.

Changes

1. in which ways did the samples differ specifically eg: age and income status can be related to mental and physical health

2. Could poorer physical health contribute to poorer mental health rather than the other way?

3. Perhaps comment upon gender differences in relation to role expectations

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