Reviewer's report

Title: Gender differences in predictors of self-rated health among older adults in Brazil and Chile

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Minor Essential Revisions
• Was any hypothesis tested or it was rather a “fishing expedition”?
• It is unclear what the rationale of using Chilean and Brazilian samples was. Were there any differences between these populations known and/or expected?

Discretionary Revisions
• Authors might consider using term adults/adult participants/participants instead of “subjects.”
• Page 2 line 15: ADL and IADL should be when used first time.
• Page 12 lines 13-15: the statement should edited or omitted

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