Reviewer’s report

Title: The Experience of Work-Life Balance across Family-Life Stages in Switzerland: A Cross-sectional Questionnaire-based Study

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Reviewer: Helen Winefield

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This is an excellent and clearly written paper in an area of applied scientific interest. Studying the interactive effect of personal, organisational, and policy levels of influence is welcome.

Some minor revisions required include:
line 76: numbers incorrectly placed
LINE 101: believes (not believes)
line 113: say (not says)
line 508: and (not an)
line 509: 13.7%

Discretionary Revisions:
1. participants all apparently had white-collar jobs and the authors may wish to acknowledge that manual or unskilled workers might show different patterns of work demands over age-related life stages
2. authors claim public health relevance for their findings rather too confidently. Their 2-item measure of work life balance is not a health measure, although the association they claim between the two is plausible and as they comment (line 498) deserves more study.

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