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Title of the Manuscript:	Self-rated health of institutionalized elderly in Kuala Lumpur
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Compulsory REVISION comments		
Minor REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Abstract- In the result section mention the OR with CI for factors significantly associated with self-rated health like educational level, physical activity 2. The socio-demographic variables should include details of what is meant by tertiary, secondary, primary in educational level and poor, intermediate, good in economic status. 3. The economic status variable needs a little thought....should it have been included..... The authors say that they asked study subjects whether they perceived their present economic status as good, intermediate or poor. But also as mentioned by authorthe residents in these homes were either abandoned in hospitals within the capital or they were poor and unable to pay for a home.....which practically means all have poor economic condition... 4. The authors mention that before the commencement of the actual study, a pilot study was carried out.....what were the results of this study? 5. Table 1: It should be "adequate physical activity, yes/no (meaning those who carried out physical activity as per the recommendations) and not just "physical activity"... 6. Table 4 heading: It should tell us whether they are factors associated with "poor SRH" or "good SRH" in multivariable analysis. 7. Please mention reference for your definition of 	



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	<p>study variable “chronic pain”....wherein you have mentioned: For chronic pain, participants were asked if they have had any persistent pain for over six months</p> <p>8. Is it “access to healthcare” or “availability of health care”. ..the authors can decide...how do the residents of old age home receive health care? Do doctors visit them?? can they themselves go to hospital to receive health care ? or do doctors visit them? ...do they get medicines free of cost? Or other investigation. The authors can think of writing a little about how these old age residents receive routine health care for the audience of the paper...</p>	
Optional/General comments		

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