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Revision (0)

Here, you can see the **Reviewers**, **Associate Editors** and **EICs'** comments from the beginning to the end of the revision process.

REFEREE: Reviewer | Revision (0) — 6 Jul 2021

Dear AE,
The study is reviewed carefully. According to the comments this manuscript needs minor revision.
Thanks

REFEREE: Reviewer | Revision (0) — 6 Jul 2021

Dear AE,
The study is reviewed carefully. Accordingly, this manuscript is rejected.
Thanks

Mehran Zarghami: Associate Editor | Revision (0) — 6 Jul 2021

Dear EIC
The reviewer(s) have recommended publication but also suggested some minor revisions to the manuscript. Therefore, I invite the author to respond to the reviewer(s)' comments and revise his manuscript.

Kind regards,
AE

Mehran Zarghami: EIC | **Revision (0)** 6 Jul 2021

Dear Authors,

Thank you for submitting your manuscript for consideration for publication in the Iranian Journal of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. External peer reviewers have evaluated your paper. Please revise it according to their comments. I would appreciate it if you could do the revisions as soon as possible.

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We look forward to receiving your revised manuscript. Thank you for sending your work to the Iranian Journal of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences.

Kind Regards,
EIC

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Revision (1)

Reply to Reviewers

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You can read the authors' responses to the reviewers' comments in the next page.

Dear Prof. Dr. Mehran Zarghami

Editor-in-Chief

Iranian Journal of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

Thanks for your email about our manuscript entitled "Sleep quality and depression: Does diabetes mellitus affect the association in older patients?" with article ID: 114899.

1- The manuscript has been changed according to dear reviewers' comments. All of the recommended points have been included in the revised text. These changes have been highlighted in yellow.

2- The references have been listed according to the guidelines of the journal (with Vancouver-Kowsar-2018 Endnote style). Also, the DOI of all the articles has been included at the end of them.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best Regards

Corresponding Author

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Revision (1)

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Mehran Zarghami: Associate Editor | **Revision (1)** 20 Jan 2022

Dear EIC,

There are some comments which should be addressed by the author:
Authors should revise the references according to the journal guidelines.
- Use abbreviated names of the journals according to the MEDLINE database. You also may find abbreviations on the Wikipedia website.
- Add the DOI of all the articles at the end of them.

Kind Regards,
AE

Mehran Zarghami: EIC | **Revision (1)** 20 Jan 2022

Dear Authors,

Thank you for your recent revisions.
Your paper has now been evaluated again. According to the associate editor's comments, it needs some more revisions. Please do your revisions according to these comments. I would appreciate it if you could do the revisions as soon as possible. The full manuscript file must be highlighted to indicate revised texts.

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EIC

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Revision (2)

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Thanks for your email about our manuscript entitled "Sleep quality and depression: Does diabetes mellitus affect the association in older patients?" with article ID: 114899.

According to your comment, the references have been rechecked and abbreviated name of the journals according to MEDLINE database has been provided.

Also, the DOI of all the articles has been written at the end of the references.

The changes have been highlighted in yellow.

Sincerely,

Corresponding Author

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Revision (2)

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Mehran Zarghami: Associate Editor | **Revision** (2) 12 Feb 2022

Dear EIC
Based on the authors' answers to the reviewers' comments, the reviewer(s) have recommended publication.
Kind regards.
AE

Mehran Zarghami: EIC | **Revision** (2) 1 Mar 2022

Dear Author,
We have completed our review of your manuscript and are pleased to inform you that it is being considered for publication in the IJPBS. Note that the publication of your article will only be finalized upon your cooperation with the editorial processing.
Thank you for your fine contribution, and we look forward to your continued contributions to the Journal.
Kind Regards,
EIC