

Review of: "Prevalence of Common Mental Illness and Its Associated Factors among Hawassa City High School Students in Hawassa, Sidama Region, Ethiopia"

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1. In the abstract:

-What is the importance of studying this title and show the gap of your study?

conclusion:

-What is your reference to say high?

-Your recommendations are general be specific and result oriented

2. Methods and Materials:

-Don't excluded the included one.

-Why not you calculate your sample size using factors that were associated in the previous study?

-There is reference in your study (mekelle and dessie) if so why you used 50% proportion?

-How you select five schools from 29 schools(does these five schools are represent all schools?). I suggest that the number of schools must be selected using 30/40% from the total school but saying lotter method is not scientifically possible at the first stage.

-You used multi-stage sampling method and used four stages; if so how do you see the designing effect hence, it depends on the stages you used to multiply?

-Show the proportional allocation of the number of students from each class using diagrams or in detail narration.

-Write about the detail of your tools(SRQ)

-What type of tool is it? is it diagnostic or screening?

-Operationalize based on tools specially for CMD.

3. Results:-

Reference for you age category(in the introduction you talking about adolescents but the age of the adolescents defined

by WHO is not included)

-What types of tool used to assess substance use disorder (if you used yes/no question with current substance use and ever substance used operationalized it)

4. Discussion:

Start by other rather than starting by the title.

-How do you compare pooled prevalence with single paper?

-How do you see your ethical considerations?

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