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## REVIEWER'S CHECKLIST

Date: 06/02/2019

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**Please return this completed Checklist by .... March 2019.**

Title of Manuscript:

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*(Declaration: This checklist adopts, in part, the recommendations of Roberts et al. How to Review a Manuscript: A “Down-to-Earth Approach”, Acad. Psychiat.2004; 28(2):81-87)*

*(Authors names and affiliations are not provided)*

### Name(s) and affiliations of the Reviewer(s):

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### **A. Suitability for Publication**

In the first instance please indicate whether the paper is:

*(Delete as appropriate below or indicate/retain the number of the answer you chose)*

1. Suitable for publication
2. Suitable after minor revision
3. Suitable after major revision
4. Not suitable for publication

**Reviewers' response:** .....

If not suitable give reasons.....  
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### **B. Reviewer's Comments**

*Your comments can be made on a separate page if you prefer. Your response can be in two sections, “General” and “Specific” comments (at your discretion):*

1. General comments

- a).....
- b).....
- c).....
- d).....

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2. Specific comments

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**C. Reviewer’s Checklist**

Please see below a checklist. Please answer each questions as “YES” or “NO”.  
 (Please Answer “YES” or” No” by deleting appropriate word)

**a. Statement of Purpose/(Research) Question**

- (i) Is the introduction appropriate? YES/NO
- (ii) Is the problem stated clearly? YES/NO
- (iii) Is the objective valid?\* YES/NO
- (iv) The research question is clear, articulate and precise?\* YES/NO

**\*[Do not answer (iii & iv) above for review articles]**

**b. Relevance**

- (i) Is this paper relevant to the objectives of the journal? YES/NO
- (ii) Is this work worth doing?\* YES/NO
- (iii) Is this work worth publishing? YES/NO
- (iv) This work contributes to the advancement of knowledge? YES/NO
- (v) This study confirms previous studies?\* YES/NO
- (vi) This study contributes novel findings?\* YES/NO

**\*[Do not answer (ii, v & vi) above for review articles]**

**c. Research Design (Do not complete this section for review articles)**

- (i) The research design is defined clearly to enable replication? YES/NO
- (ii) The research design is appropriate for the research question? YES/NO
- (iii) The conduct of this study is appropriate and valid? YES/NO
- (iv) The conduct of this study answered the research question? YES/NO

**d. Literature**

- (i) The authors have cited appropriate references? YES/NO
- (ii) The authors have cited sufficient numbers of references? YES/NO
- (iii) The authors have left out relevant references? YES/NO
- (iv) Previous work has been acknowledged accurately/truthfully? YES/NO
- (v) The authors are well-versed with the literature? YES/NO

**e. Sampling and Data Analysis** *(Do not complete this section for review articles)*

- (i) The sampling and sample size is appropriate YES/NO
- (ii) The data was analysed by appropriate statistical methods YES/NO
- (iii) Bias if any is addressed YES/NO

**g. Manuscript preparation**

- (i) The manuscript was prepared according to format of the journal? YES/NO
- (ii) The manuscript needs extensive revision? YES/NO

**D. Do you think this paper is of a very high quality deserving of an Award?**

*Please rank the paper according to the range: 1 (Very poor) to 10 (Excellent)  
 (Please Answer "YES" or "No" by deleting one word below as appropriate; and write  
 below the rank you selected clearly by deleting as appropriate)*

YES/NO

RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

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**E. Language or factual errors**

[Please indicate clearly below the page(s) and line numbers of sentences that has to be amended].

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**F. Fraud/Misconduct and Plagiarism**

**1. Do you suspect the author(s) of fraud or misconduct?** YES/NO

If "YES" please give reasons for the same.

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**2. Do you suspect plagiarism?** YES/NO

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