**Supplementary File 3**

**Quality assessment tool for descriptive cross-sectional studies**

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|  | Yes | No | Unclear | Not applicable |
| 1. Was the research question or objective in this paper clearly stated? | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| 1. Was the study population clearly specified and defined? | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| 1. Was the sample likely to be representative of the study population? | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| 1. Was the target population involved in the instrument development? | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| 1. Was the questionnaire piloted? | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| 1. Was a response rate mentioned within the study? | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| 1. Was a sample size justification, power description, or variance and effect estimates provided? | □ | □ | □ | □ |

*Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*