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Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Though study aim is to determine the factors associated with psychiatric disorder, however authors are unable to do further analysis to find correlation of psychiatric illness with studied factors. 2. Any ethics committee approval was taken before starting the study? 3. Any information regarding average duration of study population stay at old age home and duration of their untreated illnesses? 4. Please provide exclusion and inclusion criteria for this study. 5. Any comparison with elderly in the general population with old age home population as study finding in this particular old age home can not be generalized to the elderly population in the Nigeria. 6. What is the basis of putting review of literature in the discussion as it is not supporting any study findings such as in discussion's first paragraph regarding the finding " 1.2% in the Upper class and is the only one that completed tertiary education while majority 68.2% are in the lower class". "This lends credence to the fact that aging brings along with it certain socioeconomic and sociocultural challenges that may affect their care, especially in a developing country like Nigeria that has no strong welfare program for this group of citizens coupled with the breakdown of the extended family system and rising poverty.15,17 This becomes clearer when apparently all the respondents are retirees and the majority of them had worked in the private sector with very poor pension schemes in Nigeria. Retirement is a significant life transition for the elderly as it disrupts social connectedness, reduces earnings and may entrench social isolation.18 In Nigeria, oftentimes there is a delay in payment of pension entitlements and misappropriation of existing pension funds leading to a poor standard of living. This shows dysfunctional public and private pension regulatory schemes in this region which affect the elderly.19,20 " 7. There is no available data or table to support the second paragraph of discussion such as "A substantial number of the respondents are financially supported by voluntary donations while 10.6% were recruited as vagrants. Only a few have some form of personal income but often subsidized by voluntary donations. A substantial amount of the financial support comes from anonymous voluntary donors, and non-governmental organizations and only 5.9% is funded by the government" 8. Third paragraph of the discussion also looks unnecessary as it is not supporting any finding of the study. Similarly discussion in the fifth and sixth paragraphs is also not supporting any results of the current study. 	
Minor REVISION comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Majority of elderly had Dementia (41), and Schizophrenia (14) as there is no mention of their insight into their illness .are these elderly patients with Dementia and schizophrenia taking any psychotropic medications and are they actively symptomatic or improved ? How their mental capacity to give consent for study was assessed? 2. Though authors have used SCID I & SCID II, is any information regarding any other psychiatric co-morbidities such as anxiety disorder, substance abuse or personality disorder among elderly 3. Which scale or method is being used to rule out other medical and neurological illnesses 4. Limitation of the study is not mentioned in detail 	
Optional/General comments	CA prostate (abbreviation CA to be expanded)	

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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