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| Journal Name: | [**Asian Journal of Medicine and Health**](https://journalajmah.com/index.php/AJMAH) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_AJMAH\_132273** |
| Title of the Manuscript: | **Prevalence of Anxiety and depression among chronic kidney disease patients in a Nigerian tertiary institution: A comparison of pre- dialysis and hemodialysis patients** |
| Type of the Article | **Original Research Article** |

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| PART 1: Comments | | |
|  | Reviewer’s comment **Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | Author’s Feedback *(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | The manuscript covers an interesting topic; however, several changes and improvements are necessary before publication.  Reference citations do not consistently follow standard norms. | References and citations corrected |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?**  **(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | Yes, it expresses clearly the content of the manuscript |  |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | It is recommended to paraphrase the abstract and write it in a coherent text, cancelling the subheadings of the abstract. | The abstract have been paraphrased, and subheadings have been removed. |
| Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here. | There is some errors in citating references according to APA norms, for example:  *Depression is an emotional state characterized by somatic and cognitive symptoms, including feelings of sadness, worthlessness, sleeplessness, loss of appetite, reduced sexual desires, and diminished interest in usual activities.(Davison, G. C., & Neale J. M. (2001). Abnormal Psychology (8th Ed.). New York, NY John Wiley & Sons, Inc. - References - Scientific Research Publishing, n.d.).*  *Cukor, Coplan, et al., 2007;*  *Rebollo Rubio et al., 2017*  *Studies have shown that patients on MHD with a clinical diagnosis of depression have worse clinical outcome, including higher hospitalization rate and longer inpatient stays, increased rate of dialysis withdrawal and mortality.(Dialysis Withdrawal and Symptoms of Anxiety and Depression: A Prospective Cohort Study | BMC Nephrology | Full Text, n.d.; Hedayati et al., 2008, 2009) It has also been reported that CKD patients not on dialysis have a faster progression to ESRD and higher mortality if they are depressed. (Tsai et al., 2012)*  Sometimes researchers write ERSD instead of ESRD;  Table .1 involves data describing the characteristics of the sample, it would be better to summaries it in the materials and methods section, rather than in the results section;  It would be better to enrich the conclusion of the study (very short conclusion);  Authors must declare the limits of the study. | The following correction have been made in the citation.  1. *(Davison, G. C., & Neale J. M. (2001). Abnormal Psychology (8th Ed.). New York, NY John Wiley & Sons, Inc. - References - Scientific Research Publishing, n.d.). corrected to* (*Davison, G. C., & Neale J. M. (2001).* . 2. Cukor,Coplan et al corrected to Cukor & Coplan et al 2007. 3. *Rebollo Rubio et al., 2017 is correctly cited (Zetoro generated).* 4. *Dialysis Withdrawal and Symptoms of Anxiety and Depression: A Prospective Cohort Study | BMC Nephrology | Full Text, n.d.; Hedayati et al., 2008, 2009) have been corrected to*  Hedayati et al., 2008   ERSD corrected to ESRD and consistency is maintained throughout the text.  Table 1 reflex the socio-demographic of the patients, however the materials and method has been modify to include the total number of subjects recruited and gender distribution.  The conclusion have been further enrich.  Limitation have been included in the text. |
| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.** | Yes |  |
| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | yes |  |
| Optional/General comments | *Consent: Verbal and written consent were obtained from subjects. Those who refused to give consent were excluded from the study*  *Ethical approval: Ethical clearance was sought and obtained from University of Uyo Teaching Hospital ethical Committee.* |  |

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