



**SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1**

**PART 1:**

Journal Name:	British Journal of Medicine and Medical Research
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Title of the Manuscript:	Study on Transitions in Employment, Ability and Motivation (STREAM): The design of a four-year longitudinal cohort study among 15,118 persons aged 45 to 64 years

**PART 2:**

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overall, there is still need to address the language gaps and editing of the manuscript; the revision process has added certain issues (references are together but in separate parentheses, spaces exist, dots are misplaced).</li> <li>Still the methodology section lacks statements about obtaining consent for the interviews which the investigators have already conducted.</li> <li>The analysis plan still needs to be elaborated; why the authors will carry out GLM, GEE and structural equation modeling. For all types of analysis, a reason/rational should be provided.</li> </ol>	<p>Thank you very much for your valuable comments.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We carefully checked and edited the manuscript and references. We believe the manuscript is now fully in line with the guidelines.</li> <li>Statements about the consent for interviews are provided in both the Method section (lines 379-381) and the Consent paragraph (lines 516-518). These statements also pertain to consent obtained for interview studies that already have taken place. We moved the statement to the top of section 2.4 to clarify this.</li> <li>A rational for the analyses that will be carried out is now provided (lines 397-407).</li> </ol>