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Australia	Funding from government agency (Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing); fieldwork carried out by Australian Bureau of Statistics	The survey was conducted under the authority of the <i>Census and Statistics Act, 1905</i> . All aspects of the survey's implementation were designed to conform to the <i>Information Privacy Principles</i> set out in the <i>Privacy Act, 1988</i> .	Verbal	CAPI	Y	None
Belgium	Government Agency	Ethics Committee of the Institute of Public Health (Federal Public Service Health, Food Chain Safety, and Environment)	Verbal	CAPI	Y	None
Brazil	Academic Center/Institute; Private for Profit Company	Research and Ethics Committee of the School of Medicine, University of São Paulo	Written	PAPI	Y	None
Bulgaria	Academic Center/Institute	Ethics approval from the Deputy Minister and head of the Executive Committee of the National Psychiatric Program	Verbal	PAPI	Y	None
Colombia	Non-profit Organization	Ethics Committee for the FES Social Foundation	Verbal	CAPI	Y	Alarm clock

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Colombia - Medellín	Academic Center for Excellence on Research in Mental Health /Institute; Private Non-profit Organization	Research Committee of the School of Medicine, and Ethics Committee CES University of Medellín	Written	CAPI	Y	None
France	Academic Center/Institute	Committee of the CNIL -Commission Nationale Informatique et Libertés	Written	CAPI	--	Gift certificate 24 EURO a
Germany	Academic Center/Institute	Ethics Committee of the University of Leipzig	Verbal	CAPI	Y	None
Iraq	Government agencies; World Health Organization	Ethics Scientific Committee of the Ministry of Health Iraq	Verbal	PAPI	Y	None
Israel	Government Agency	Human Subjects Committee for survey and field procedures in Eitanim-Kfar Shaul Hospital	Verbal	CAPI	Y	None
Italy	Private for Profit Company	Italian National Institute of Health	Written	CAPI	Y	Gasoline coupon– 15 EURO

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Japan	Government Agency; Academic Center/Institute	National Center of Neurology and Psychiatry; Okayama University School of Medicine; Nagasaki University School of Medicine; Keio University School of Medicine; Jichi University School of Medicine; Juntendo University School of Medicine; Yamagata University School of Medicine	Written	CAPI	Y	Gift certificate – 3000 YEN
Lebanon	Not for profit Research Institute Non-Governmental Organization	University of Balamand Faculty of Medicine Institutional Review Board	Verbal	PAPI	N	Free psychiatric consultation
Mexico	Academic Center/Institute	Ethics committee in research of the National Institute of Psychiatry Ramon de la Fuente Muñiz	Verbal	CAPI	N	None
Netherlands	Private for Profit Company; Academic Center/Institute	Ethics Committee of the Netherlands Institute of Mental Health and Addiction	Written	CAPI	Y	Gift certificate – 5 & 20 EURO

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New Zealand	Funding from Government Agencies; field work by Private for Profit Company Research team assembled from consortium across universities and health services	Auckland Y Committee on behalf of all 14 regional health ethics committees in New Zealand	Written	CAPI	Y	Free family meal <sup>a</sup>
Nigeria	Government Agency; Academic Center/Institute	University of Ibadan/University College Hospital Joint Ethics Committee	Verbal	PAPI	Y	Bath towel
Northern Ireland	Academic Center/Institute	University of Ulster Ethics Committee	Written	CAPI	Y	10 sterling 30 – 40 sterling
People's Republic of China – Beijing/Shanghai	Academic Center/Institute	Ethics committee of Peking University	Verbal	PAPI	Y	None
People's Republic of China - Shenzhen	Academic Center/Institute	Ethics Committee, Shenzhen Kangning Hospital	Verbal	PAPI	Y	Mini-radio (1-2US\$)
Peru	Government Agency	Ethics Committee of the National Institute of Health of the Ministry of Health	Written	CAPI	Y	None
Poland	Academic Center/Institute; Public Organization	Ethics Committee of the Institute of Psychiatry and Neurology	Written	CAPI	Y	Wall calendar promoting mental health

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Portugal	Academic Center/Institute	Ethics Committee, Faculdade de Ciências Médicas, Universidade Nova de Lisboa	Verbal	CAPI	Y	Gift certificate – 15 – 30 EURO
Romania	Academic Center/Institute Public organization	Ethic Commission, Scientific Board of National Institute for Research and Development in Health	Verbal	CAPI	N	Thermometers or desk clocks
South Africa	Academic Center/Institute	Recruitment, consent and field procedures were approved by the Human Subjects Committees of the University of Michigan (ISR), Harvard Medical School, and by a single project assurance of compliance from the Medical University of South Africa (MEDUNSA) that was approved by NIMH.	Written and Verbal	PAPI	N	None

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Spain	Academic Center/Institute	Ethical committee of Sant Joan de Deu Serveis de Salut Mental and Ethical Committee of Institut Municipal d'Investigació Mèdica	Written	CAPI	Y	Gift certificate – 12 & 25 EURO
Spain - Murcia	Regional Health Authority of Murcia (Spain)	Clinical Research Ethical Committee of Hospital Universitario Virgen de la Arrixaca (Murcia, Spain)	Written	CAPI	Y	None
Ukraine	Academic Center/Institute	Human Subjects Committees of the University of New York at Stony Brook, Kiev International Institute of Sociology, and Ukrainian Psychiatric Association	Written	PAPI	N	Cash – 25 UAH
United States	Academic Center/institute	Human Subjects Committees of the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan and of Harvard Medical School	Verbal	CAPI	Y	Cash/Check – 50 & 100 USD

<sup>a</sup>Only for potential respondents who were reluctant to take part