

**Table 1 QOL of the study sample**

| QOL                       | WHOQOL-BREF<br>raw scores |                  | WHOQOL-BREF<br>transformed scores (4–20) |                  | WHOQOL-BREF<br>transformed scores (0–100) |                  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--|------------------|---|------------------|
|                           | Mean (SD) **              | Median (IQR)     | Mean (SD) **                             | Median (IQR)     | Mean (SD) **                              | Median (IQR)     |
| Physical domain*          | 22.1 (4.41)               | 21.0 (19.0–24.0) | 12.6 (2.52)                              | 12.0 (10.9–13.7) | 53.8 (15.8)                               | 50.0 (42.9–60.7) |
| Psychological domain*     | 17.9 (4.53)               | 18.0 (16.0–21.0) | 11.9 (3.03)                              | 12.0 (10.7–14.0) | 49.5 (18.9)                               | 50.0 (41.7–62.5) |
| Social domain*            | 9.29 (2.55)               | 9.0 (8.0–10.0)   | 12.4 (3.40)                              | 12.0 (10.7–13.3) | 52.5 (21.2)                               | 50.0 (41.7–58.3) |
| Environmental domain**    | 23.8 (5.18)               | 24.0 (20.0–27.0) | 11.9 (2.59)                              | 12.0 (10.0–13.5) | 49.0 (16.2)                               | 50.0 (37.5–59.4) |
| Perception of health (Q1) | 2.99 (0.87)               | 3.0 (2.0–4.0)    | 2.99 (0.87)                              | 3.0 (2.0–4.0)    | 2.99 (0.87)                               | 3.0 (2.0–4.0)    |
| Perception of QOL (Q2)    | 3.18 (1.04)               | 3.0 (2.0–4.0)    | 3.18 (1.04)                              | 3.0 (2.0–4.0)    | 3.18 (1.04)                               | 3.0 (2.0–4.0)    |

\*\*Normally distributed, \*not normally distributed data.

IQR = interquartile range; Q1 and Q2 = ordinal variables; QOL = quality of life; SD= standard deviation; WHOQOL-BREF = World Health Organization Quality of Life-Brief.