## Supplementary table 1 Baseline characteristics between those lost to follow up and remained in the cohort

Characteristics		Remained	Lost to follow	Fisher exact
		N=219	up N=18	test or Wilcoxon rank
		(n, %)	(n, %)	sum test,
				p value
Gender	Male	132 (60.3)	8 (44.4)	0.19
	Female	87 (39.7)	10 (55.6)	
Age	In years	Median 32	Median 26.5	0.83
		(IQR 22, 42)	(IQR 20, 38)	
Residence	Urban	26 (11.9)	3 (16.7)	0.47
	Rural	193 (88.1)	193 (83.1)	
Marital status	Married	118 (53.9)	5 (27.8)	0.05
	Single, divorced or widowed	101 (46.2)	13 (72.2)	
Relative wealth	Average or above	64 (29.2)	4 (22.2)	0.79
	Low or very low	155 (70.8)	14 (77.8)	
Stressful life events	Number in the past	Median 0	Median 1	0.04
	6 months	(IQR 0, 1)	(IQR 0, 3)	
Comorbid mental disorders	No	193 (88.1)	11 (61.1)	
	Yes	26 (11.9)	7 (38.9)	0.002
Seizure frequency		Median 0	Median 1.5	0.04
		(IQR 0, 2)	(IQR 0, 2)	
Common mental disorder symptoms	Total SRQ-20 score	Median 6	Median 10	0.13
		(IQR 3, 11)	(IQR 6, 14)	
Risk of alcohol use (ASSIST score)	Low (ASSIST < 10)	120 (67.8%)	6(60%)	0.73
	Moderate to high (ASSIST > 11)	57 (32.2%)	4(40%)	
Quality of Life	Total QOLIE-10 score	Median 43.5 (IQR 29.7, 67.1)	Median 32.4 (IQR 9, 39.1)	0. <b>01</b>
Disability	Total WHODAS score	Median 11.11 (IQR 5.6, 27.8)	Median 27.78	0.001

	(IQR 16.7, 41.7)	
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IQR = interquartile range (25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> centiles indicated in the brackets); SRQ = ; QOLIE = ; WHODAS =