

Table 4 Factors associated with HRQoL: results of multivariate linear regression

Variable	Regression coefficient	95% CI	P
<i>Factors associated with physical component summary outcome score</i>			
Age, years			
≤ 14	1		0.064
> 14	-0.18	-9.17 to 0.27	
Sex			
Male	1		0.09
Female	-0.17	-7.44 to 0.55	
Employment status			
Unemployed	1		0.054
Employed	-0.24	-13.70 to 0.13	
Occupational status			
Manual or clerical job	1		0.03
Professional	0.26	1.10-20.79	
<i>Factors associated with mental component summary outcome score</i>			
Age, years			
≤ 14	1		0.004
> 14	-0.21	-11.45 to -2.29	
Pretransfusion haemoglobin, g/dL			
≤ 8.6	1		0.048
≥ 8.7	0.19	0.04-8.87	

Bold values are significant. CI = confidence interval; HRQoL = health-related quality of life.