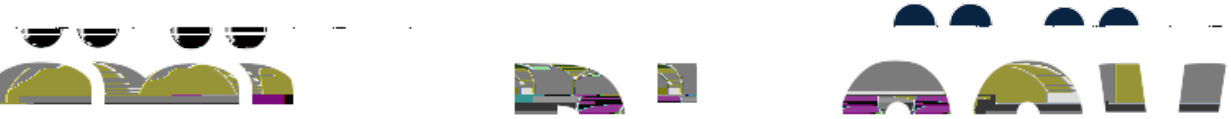

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Sample

Is social group membership, social connectedness and hope associated with mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic?

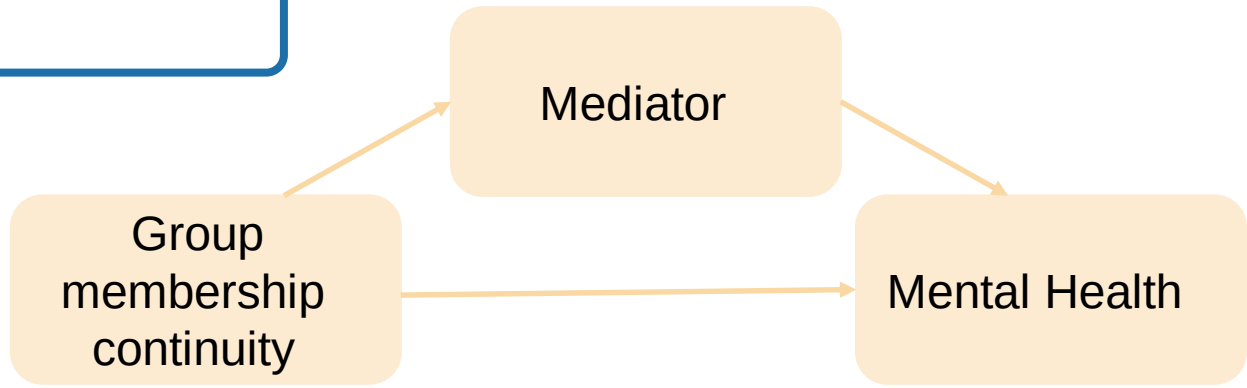
Significant correlations:

Prior multiple group memberships — Group membership continuity

Group membership continuity — Lower scores:
- Depression
- Anxiety
- Psychosis-like experiences

Feeling connected to others:
- In-person
- Online

Hope



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