Appendix Figure 1. Sample flow diagram of BLS participants from birth to 26 years of age

**VP/VLBW**

- **Initial sample**
  - N=682

- **Drop-out**
  - Refused to participate from the beginning: n=7
  - Died in hospital: n=172
  - Died between discharge and adulthood: n=12
  - Non-German speakers: n=43
  - Not traceable: n=37

- **Eligible sample in adulthood**
  - N=411

- **Drop-out**
  - No contact or refused to participate: n=151

- **Participation and assessment in adulthood**
  - N=260
    - Complete clinical assessment: n=200
    - Partial assessment: n=60

**Term-born comparisons**

- **Initial sample**
  - N=916

- **Selected matched sample**
  - N=350

- **Drop-out**
  - Died between adolescence and adulthood: n=2
  - Not traceable: n=40

- **Eligible sample in adulthood**
  - N=308

- **Drop-out**
  - No contact or refused to participate: n=79

- **Participants and assessment in adulthood**
  - N=229
    - Complete clinical assessment: n=197
    - Partial assessment: n=32
Appendix Figure 2. Initial full Model 1.

Model fit (not acceptable):
χ²=80.44 (df=16), p<0.001
CFI=.983, RMSEA=1.00
(90% CI=.079 to .123), PCLOSE=.000