

## **Reviewer's report**

**Title:** "What do you know ? "——Knowledge among village doctors of lead poisoning in children in rural China

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2. I recommend including a paragraph of the limitations of the work described in this manuscript (e.g., sample size, lack of generalizability)
3. What is the state of existing environmental policies regarding lead emissions in China? Are lead emissions regulated? How does the absence of environmental regulation contribute to this persistent public health issue? This is an important part of the narrative as these sources of lead exposure are not common in industrialized countries.
4. Based on the identified findings, what do the authors propose with respect to increasing awareness about lead exposure sources and preventive measures among village doctors. The issue has been identified via the survey, so what are the proposed interventions to increasing awareness/knowledge?
5. Please see the typo on page 5, line 44.

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Yes

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