Reviewer's report

**Title:** Surveillance of ischemic heart disease should include physician billing claims: Population-based evidence from administrative health data across seven Canadian provinces

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**Reviewer:** Altacilio Nunes

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This is a well designed study that seeks to identify and make monitoring in patients with ischemic heart disease using data resulting from invoicing and medical procedures. The means chosen are particularly innovative because, aggregates information that otherwise would be unavailable, especially in places where the services and welfare records are flawed. The methodology used is appropriate and the results are described in an easy way and easily transported to the clinical practice.

I suggest to the authors that, in the discussion make a brief account of the difficulties in the use of the methodology for data collection, as well as, the alternatives that can be employed to overcome them. This would be very useful to readers.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.