Reviewer’s report

Title: Under- treatment and under diagnosis of hypertension: A serious problem in the United Arab Emirates

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Reviewer: Michel Joffres

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General
Some of my previous points have been addressed.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

In my previous review, I recommended:
1. "These findings could be better contrasted with levels of hypertension awareness and treatment among aware hypertensives in other studies." This has not been addressed.

2. "Limitations should be clearly stated since this is a convenient sample, with a different BP methodology and different subpopulations that might not represent the total population” Convenient sample is mentioned but there is no discussion on generalization of these findings to this population.

3. "Results
No patients had to be excluded for secondary hypertension, kidney disease or heart disease"
This point would fit better in the methods section.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests