Reviewer's report

Title: Reliability of team-based self-monitoring in critical events: A pilot study

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This is a well written paper about a small scale piece of research, with adequate methodology, to develop a scale to measure teamwork in critical events. The result is a new 9 item scale with good psychometric properties, which has the potential to be widely used in clinical work. However, the scale must be tested in other contexts in order for that to happen. The three sub-scales Role-clarity, Communication and Situational awareness are not completely distinct. A factor analysis done with a larger sample might show that the scale can be reduced even more in terms of number of items, which would make the scale even more relevant and useful in clinical situations to reinforce and improve teamwork.

Minor essential revisions:

I believe that the requirements for the further development of the instrument should be discussed more in detail,

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests