Reviewer's report

Title: Identifying nurse staffing research in PubMed: development and testing of empirically derived search strategies.

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Reviewer: Pamela Royle

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I am satisfied that the authors have adequately answered my criticisms and comments.

There are a few possible language corrections;

1) in Background section para 1 'View studies ..' - think they mean 'few studies'
2) First line of Discussion. Think 'perform excellent in terms of..' could be better expressed as 'had excellent performance in terms of '
3) Discussion - 2nd para 'results of the precision set are more off' - suggest alternative phrasing. eg. 'results of the precision set are less similar'

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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' below