Reviewer’s report

Title: Increased incidence of kidney diseases in general practice after a nationwide albuminuria self-test program

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Overall the questions posed by the authors are well defined and this is a clearly written manuscript assessing the increased incidence of kidney disease diagnoses in general population practices after a nationwide self-test program for albuminuria in The Netherlands. The methods are much better described in response to reviewers’ comments. The data appear to be sound and are reported in a relevant and standard way. The addition of incidence rate ratios and their associated 95% confidence intervals per another reviewer’s suggestion has added significantly to the interpretability of the data. The rewording and additions where requested have also been carefully attended to, with one exception; the abstract does not appear to be revised to match the changes described and made in the manuscript.

Minor Essential Revision
The abstract needs to be updated. Specifically, the abstract needs to incorporate and emphasize the major results of the incidence rate ratios and 95% confidence intervals.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

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