Reviewer's report

Title: The relationship of health care use with the persistence of insomnia: a prospective cohort study

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Major Compulsory Revisions

Although the paper has been improved in some areas, I do not really feel that the authors have responded very well to some of the comments, both from myself and the other reviewers. My main problem is still the conclusions and interpretations that authors make from the data. It is not appropriate to disregard p-values and rather look at the OR. If a study has enough statistical power, then 95% confidence intervals which include the value 1.0 is not significant, regardless of how strong the authors feel the OR is. In fact, all the adjusted analyses are non-significant, and this is not reflected in the manuscript, although the authors mention it to some extent. This doesn't make it less interesting, but the conclusion need to fit the data.

I also agree with the other reviewers that the literature review is superficial, and I still feel there is much to be gained here.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests