Reviewer's report

Title: Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy for dyspepsia: Exploratory study of factors influencing patient compliance in Greece

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The authors have addressed many of the other points raised in my prior reviews. I thank the authors and the editor for the opportunity to review this interesting and hypothesis generating work.

I have 2 Minor Essential Revisions that I trust the authors will be able to easily make.

1) I would suggest rephrasing the conclusion of the abstract to improve clarity: "This exploratory study found that patients with dyspepsia in rural Greece tend to avoid upper gastrointestinal endoscopy. Two major themes were attributed to patients' refusal to undergo endoscopy: their beliefs towards endoscopy and their perceived capability to tolerate the procedure. Future research examining reasons for low compliance should be informed by modern behavioral theories."

2) Table 1 headings need to be consistent with the table legend. The legend uses the terms "Adherent and Nonadherent Patients". The table itself uses "Complaints" and "Non Compliants". I would suggest sticking with "Adherent and Nonadherent". There are three distinct points in Table 1 in which these labels should be switched.

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:

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