Reviewer's report

Title: Use of health services and medicines amongst Australian war veterans aged 95 years and over

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Major Compulsory Revisions:

The title and the research questions do not entirely match the analysis. It would be better for the authors to change the RQ to "Utilization of Health Care Services Among Elderly Veterans: A Comparison of Young Elderly, Near Centenarians and Centenarians or something similar since the analysis is geared towards this rather than focusing on 95 yrs.

Minor Essential Revisions:

When doing the Chi-Square, did you use two groups (95 yrs and over and 65-94) or three groups (65-94, 95-99 and 100 and over). In any case, is there statistical significance in use between 95-99 and 100 and over. Also, in the introduction, you provide census information on all groups except 95-99 yrs. Is that information available.

Discretionary Revisions: Please provide demographic related information if available for all groups. Given that you are specifying importance of the research for policy information, such information would be very valuable.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests