Reviewer's report

Title: Can care of elderly be measured? Development of an assessment instrument to measure care needs in nursing homes for older people

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Reviewer: Lennart Jansson

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This paper describes further development of the Time In Care instrument (TIC). A further purpose is also to investigate the inter-rater reliability and to validate the TIC-instrument using new material from two Swedish municipalities. This is an interesting article and I agree with the findings.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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.