Reviewer's report

Title: Determinants for hospitalization among "low-risk" community acquired pneumonia.

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Level of interest: A paper whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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The revised article was reviewed and now acceptable for publication with the following revisions:

1. Page 2: Under results last sentence states cost of treatment 8 times higher for inpatients
   Last sentence on page states cost 10 times higher cost for inpatients.
   These statements need to make a similar statement or be modified to just have one statement of fact.
2. Page 5: Under methods, the last sentence of paragraph one, there are three uses of "patients that..." should be changed to "patients who..."
3. Page 6: next to last sentence in paragraph 1, "form" should be changed to "from" and "was" changed to "were".
4. Page 6: Under statistical analysis, sentence 1 after admitted, there needs to be a period with the SAS statement beginning a new sentence.
5. Page 9: 5th line from the bottom, "admissions" should be changed to "admission"
6. Page 14: sentence 1 about limitations of the study should also include the fact that patients over the age of 50 were not included in the study, limiting significance to older populations seen in the real world.

Competing interests:

None declared.