Reviewer's report

Title: Hypertension and the Development of New Onset Chronic Kidney Disease over a 10 year period: A Retrospective Cohort Study in a Primary Care Setting in Malaysia

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Authors revised the manuscript, however, there are 2 minor points to be corrected.

Minor Essential Revisions

1. Table 3:
   Although the authors revised the units for independent variables, these descriptions are confusing.
   I recommend the description as follows:
   Baseline eGFR lowered at 1 ml/min per year --> Baseline eGFR (per 1mL/min decrease)
   Every year of increase in age --> Age (per 1 year increase)
   Uric acid 1umol/L increase per year --> Uric acid (per 1umol/L increase)

2. Results (3rd paragraph):
   Although authors agreed to change the value “0.92 +/- 2.22” to “-0.92 +/- 2.22” in their reply, the value was unchanged in the revised manuscript.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.