Reviewer's report

Title: Early utilization of hypertonic peritoneal dialysate and subsequent risks of non-traumatic amputation among peritoneal dialysis patients: A nationwide retrospective longitudinal study

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Thanks for asking me to review the manuscript. The group has addressed the concerns that I had about the paper and I think that the information presented is much clearer.

Major Revision:
There is a paragraph at the end of page 10 of 19, which talks about the age related risk of amputation, which is not clear and should be rewritten to clarify the conclusions that the authors are trying to make. There is no data in the results section that supports this conclusion and this should either be included in the results or the discussion changed to reflect the fact that the data has not been submitted. This comes under the category of major revision as it strikes me that this is related to the interpretation of the data.

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