Reviewer's report

Title: Prevalence of and Factors Associated with Medication Persistence in Patients Following Stroke: A Cohort Study

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Discretionary revisions

This is a clear and comprehensive paper on an important topic of high clinical relevance. The sample size and methodology are satisfactory. Results are well-presented and the discussion is articulate. The one suggestion I have for improving the paper is to include nature of stroke deficit among the predictor variables. The authors have used generic rating scales of stroke severity and disability - which are valuable to the analysis - but it would be interesting if the nature of deficit (e.g., language, motor, sensory, coordination) were also examined as a variable that might predict medication non-persistence.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

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.