Reviewer's report

Title: Comparison of primary care experience between community health clinics (general outpatient clinics) and private general practice clinics in Hong Kong

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1. The question is well defined
2. The methods appropriate and well defined
3. The data sound and the limitations well described
4. Yet is it possible to compare those who only go to the community clinics (never went to the private) with those who go only to the private sector (never went to the community clinics)
5. The manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting. Yet it is important to present to regression analysis table according to the standards of presenting such table/
6. The discussion and conclusion are balanced and supported by the data but should be shorter. On the other end there is a need to explain why the participants go both to the private doctors and to the outpatient clinic and majority prefer the private clinics. Maybe the fee that the private sector charge is lower than the community health clinics’ fee?????. The community clinics are run mainly by residents in family medicine and maybe the public don’t trust them yet? These issues should be addressed.
7. The limitations are clearly stated but more explanation is needed as I mention above.
8. The authors acknowledge any work...
9. The title and abstract convey what has been found.