Reviewer’s report

Title: Impact of different pack sizes of paracetamol in the United Kingdom and Ireland on intentional overdoses: a comparative study

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Reviewer: Rachel Jenkins

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This is an excellent well written paper.

I have a few minor essential revisions
1, why define 4 tabs as overdose rather than 8 which is max daily dose… presumably 4 would not be harmful? I am surprised anyone shows up in A and E with only 4, unless a child. Please justify further this decision
2. Table 2 and 3 should explain IQR

3. There should be some comment in the discussion about potential differences in ease of access to primary care and A and E services in both countries….indeed it may be possible to find some data on this

Otherwise very good paper.

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.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare i have no competing interests.