Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Emergency Management in Health: Key Issues and Challenges in the UK

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**Reviewer:** anthony redmond

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The paper addresses an important subject. The methodology is appropriate and well described. It is a qualitative study with a relatively limited number of interviewees but the findings are clear and the conclusions appropriate and relevant.

The limitations of a study of this type could perhaps be stressed a little more in the text but the study itself reveals its own limitations so I wouldn’t suggest any change to the script in this respect.

The authors clearly acknowledge and reference the work of others and the basis for their study and findings.

The title and abstract accurately convey what has been found and it well written.

No revisions but from my own area of interest I would have liked to have seen some discussion on the potential relevance of the methodology and findings to in the international disaster response but I accept that this was not the remit of the study nor the expertise of the interviewees. A follow up similar study on the international response would be a very welcome contribution to the literature.

**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 that I have no competing interests