Reviewer’s report

Title: Knowledge and Perception of Diabetes in a Semi-urban Omani population

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Reviewer: Per Wändell

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This is an interesting article on the knowledge and perception of diabetes among the population in Oman. The procedure of sampling and development of the questionnaire is well described. I have only have one major concern.

Major compulsory revisions:
My concern regards the statistical analysis. The authors have used chi-square test, but it is recommended that they also perform multivariate logistic regression, with knowledge of risk factors etc as dependent factors, and demographic and socio-economic factors etc as predictive factors. This analysis will allow us to judge which factors are most important in predicting the outcome.

What next?: Unable to decide on acceptance or rejection until the authors have responded to the major compulsory 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