Reviewer’s report

Title: Quality measures for the care of patients with lateral epicondylalgia

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Minor Essential Revisions

Abstract.
Page 2, paragraph 3, The sentence “A cross sectional study was carried out” should be deleted.

Background.
Page 3, paragraph 2, The “quality of care” should be re-phrased as “degree of implementation of best practices recommendations”.
Page 3, paragraph 4, “quality of” should be re-phrased as “degree of implementation of the best practices”.

Methods.
Page 4, paragraph 4, Add “…AHRQ, and in articles indexed in…”
Page 4, paragraph 4. Change “indicators found” to “existing indicators”
Page 5, paragraph 3, “The pilot testing was conducted by” should be re-phrased as “The set of quality measures was them pilot tested by”.
Page 5, paragraph 3, What town of Galicia is located the hospital?

Results.
In the results section, should review the subtitles because it is unclear the 2 main areas in the study: feasibility-reliability and supporting evidence
Page 6, paragraph 1, “problems of feasibility” should be re-phrased as “items with feasibility problems”.

Discussion.
Page 8, paragraph 4, I think you mean “measuring degree of implementation of best practices recommendations”, “measuring quality of care” has other implications
Page 9, paragraph 2, The information at the beginning of paragraph is confusing, I might be helpful change the redaction

References must be in square brackets in text and tables
Page 13 replace the title Bibliography to References
Page 10 to 13 and figure 1 please ensure that the BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders reference style is followed precisely.

Discretionary Revisions

Methods.
Page 3, paragraph 7, Delete paragraph, not provide additional information
Page 4, paragraph 1, Perhaps, adding a figure to describe the process

**Level of interest:** An article of outstanding merit and interest 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 do research on other topics with Professor Medina i Mirapeix.