Reviewer's report

Title: Follow-up after surgery with ventilation tube in the tympanic membrane: Implementing guidelines in primary care and hospital. A retrospective study

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The background to decision making in the actual clinical situation is always interesting. Although no statistical conclusions can be drawn from the report it gives a good account of the actual decisions after a change in guidelines and is definitely interesting.

Discretionary revision

It would however be good to have a little more information of the actual state of the children operated. How much was the hearing loss and how was the outcome? Was it only VT insertion or were some operated with TE or adenoidectomy?

Generally the paper is recommended for publication.

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:

No competing interests