Reviewer’s report

Title: Differentiating Intraprofessional Attitudes toward Paradigms in Health Care Delivery among Chiropractic Factions: Results from a Randomly Sampled Survey

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Reviewer: Cheryl Hawk

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This is an extremely interesting, unique and well-conducted study. The research question was clearly defined and the methods appropriate. Although I am not a biostatistician, I believe the statistical analysis was reasonable and very well explained; the data were reported appropriately. The discussion and conclusions were balanced and supported by the data, and the authors gave an excellent summary of previous related work.

Major Compulsory Revisions
None

Minor Essential Revisions
1) What was the rationale for sampling 12% of DCs?
2) “Chiropractic” is not usually considered a proper noun so should not be capitalized.
3) There are numerous punctuation issues (misplaced or missing commas) throughout.
4) Check for several uses of “data” as a singular noun; it is actually plural.
5) Please do a spell check; I noticed one spelling error ("focussed" should be “focused”); there may be others.

Discretionary Revisions
There are a few minor edits in the Methods section which would be helpful to the reader:
1) P. 8, first full paragraph: it would be helpful (and very interesting) if the 8 choices for using imaging were described.
2) Same for the three vaccination attitude statements.
3) Same for the 27 complaints; at least list the six considered to have no evidence basis. Again, this may not be absolutely necessary but it would be very interesting.
4) P. 9, last sentence of first full paragraph: please repeat what the “three questions relevant to this study” are, to assist the reader in staying oriented.
Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.