Reviewer's report

**Title:** Modification of an OSCE format to enhance patient continuity in a high-stakes assessment of clinical performance

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**Reviewer:** Danette McKinley

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Discretionary revisions -

I think that you were able to make all of the recommended changes in the manuscript, but I encourage you to consider that one advantage of generalizability analysis is that the raters can be nested in section in scenario - without requiring a fully crossed design. Something to think about as you have more data - permitting the assessment of a rater effect can be useful for QA as well as research.

Well done. I look forward to being able to recommend this work to others as a resource.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.