Reviewer’s report

Title: Family Medicine Graduates' Perceptions of Intimidation, Harassment, and Discrimination during Residency Training

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Reviewer: Debra Jackson

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Thank you for asking me to review this potentially useful paper about a topic that is causing increasing concern. While the paper does address an area of interest, it is marred by weaknesses in description of methods, presentation and writing style.

Major Compulsory Revisions

1. The background is not convincing. It does not establish the importance of or need for the study. There are also some non-sequitur sentences that should be corrected.
2. Insufficient information is provided about the design and nature of the instrument.
3. The procedures around the pilot are not well described.
4. Key terms are not adequately described.

Minor Essential Revisions

1. The conclusions are tentative and rather weak. It would strengthen the paper to have these articulated more clearly.
2. Rigourous editing would enhance this paper.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests