Reviewer's report

Title: Evaluation of Standardized Doctor's Order Sets as an Educational Tool for Undegraduate Medical Students

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The authors have addressed each of my concerns sufficiently. The data are by no means perfect, but the authors' handling of the data and limitations of the paper are honest and balanced and thus should allow readers to draw their own conclusions from reading this work. The flow chart greatly assist readers in understanding the learner population. I'm satisfied that a relatively objective marking scheme was in place.

I only have 2 revisions suggested.

Major Compulsory Revisions:

1) Assessment of knowlege retention and acquisition. Please clarify exactly what this retention period is and if it is constant for all trainees. If not, what is the range. Most would consider an end of rotation questionnaire to capture knowledge acquisition but not retention. If the assessment is capturing only knowledge acquisition, comments on knowledge acquisition (without the retention) will need to be revised throughout the manuscript.

Minor Essential Revisions

1) Test scores: Can the test score results be presented as a percentage please? It would make the results more easily interpretable.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.