Reviewer's report

Title: Differences in level of confidence in Diabetes Care between different groups of trainees: the TOPDOC Diabetes Study

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This is a useful follow up to the previous TOPDOC paper and addresses differences in confidence of managing diabetes in different groups of trainee doctors defined geographically or by future career intention.

Discretionary Revisions:

1. I was struck by the general lack of trainee confidence in changing oral hypoglycaemic medication. The paper could be improved by developing this theme, particularly with relevance to trainees in primary care, where you might expect confidence to be much higher. Some further discussion of lack of confidence in discussing lifestyle change in this group of trainees would also be relevant here.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest 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:

I declare that I have no competing interests