Reviewer's report

Title: Wireless LAN in Pre-hospital Environment

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1. General
   The authors investigated feasibility of patient data transmission in pre-hospital environment. Today's internet back-bone is wide enough rapid data transmission. Furthermore development of wireless LAN devices now enables us to access to the hospital LAN from any distant places. The authors showed that using wireless LAN we could get patient data before the patient arrived at hospital, which would enabled us to start the adequate treatment more rapidly.

2. Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)
   The authors discussed data transmission between the hospital and the area around patient's home, but they did not seem to discuss data transmission from ambulance on going to the hospital. I think it would be better to comment on the network connectivity or data transfer rate on roaming.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes

Declaration of competing interests:

None