Reviewer's report

Title: Cholesterol treatment with statins: Who is left out and who makes it to goal?

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Reviewer: Nigel Stocks

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Having read the other reviewers comments and the authors responses I am happy for the revised paper to be published.

Interestingly the authors discuss 'over treatment' of higher SES individuals which was one of the reasons I undertook our statin study in Australia (with a positive finding for men in the highest socio-economic group).

Also our second paper on 'access' demonstrated differential prescription of statins by geographic area which we speculated resulted from differential access to health care, a finding that seems to contradict one aspect of their results.

Regards

Nigel Stocks

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.