Reviewer's report

Title: Patients’ age as a determinant of care received following acute stroke: A systematic review.

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Reviewer: James Phillips

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Discretionary Revisions
Page 18 For patients older than 80 years, the numbers needed to treat etc. Suggest reword this and previous sentence to ensure that it is clear that NNT relates to provision of Stroke Unit Care.

Consider provision of tables to clarify results.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'