Reviewer’s report

Title: Supporting lay bystanders during medical emergencies -- risk assessment of video calls for emergency dispatch

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Dear authors, nice that you are interested in the important field of dispatching. Just som esmall corrections: can you specify the specialty of the nurse and the physician, since it is crucial they have an understanding of this field. R=C X L is more correct than how you have now written it. It would benefit from having some examples of situtaions where you think the video would be useful, and if there are different risks in different situations and patient conditions.

Level of interest: An article of importance 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'