Reviewer’s report

Title: Perception of evidence-based practice and the professional environment of Primary Health Care nurses in the Spanish context: A cross-sectional study

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Minor Essential Revision:
I see that some improvement have been made, but there is still a need for basic improvements in language and style. For example, in reporting numbers they should be written out if they appear at the start of a sentence (i.e. Five instead of 5); p3 ‘On the other hand’ instead of ‘In’; p7 at the start of the Discussion ‘higher than that obtained (rather than: the obtained). These types of mistake appear throughout and are quite numerous.

Discretionary Revisions:
1. The title and objectives convey the outcomes of the report, the data seem sound although they are reported very concisely – barely one page of writing, although the tables appear to be fine, and as they will be integrated, I have no suggestion to make, but it would be better to write about more of the findings in addition to presenting tables.

2. The Discussion is satisfactory. The Conclusion section, particularly the first paragraph, should be strengthened by using more direct language – this conclusion is not new, many before you have come to the same vague conclusion that a change in culture is required. The angle here could be that this is reflected in the Balearic Islands too, in addition to the US, Canada, Britain etc. e.g. a call for global change, as it continues to be a problem for nurses in different parts of the world.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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