Reviewer’s report

Title: A taxonomy of nursing care organization models in hospitals

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Thank-you very much for the opportunity to review this manuscript, the authors have done an excellent job and the article will fill an important gap in the literature. The manuscript was comprehensive, well-written and presented a clearly articulated theoretical model addressing the relevant literature while highlighting gaps to be addressed. The data collection process and analyses conducted were thorough and coherently explained. The authors have made a wonderful first attempt to create a comprehensive taxonomy of nursing care that address all relevant structures within nursing practice. This model will need to be tested in additional units and geographical areas to address its ability to be replicated.

Minor Essential Revisions

In the limitations section of the discussion please address the fact that all research was conducted in Quebec which may limit the generalizability of this model.

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