Reviewer's report

Title: The Calculation of Quality Indicators for Long Term Care Facilities in 8 countries (SHELTER project)

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Reviewer: Andrew Kidd

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No Major Compulsory Revisions.

No Minor Essential Revisions.

Discretionary Revisions:

I agree that too few facilities in each of the countries have participated. Was there a reason for this?

In the discussion you start each area for consideration with a question (e.g. How good is the aggregate LTCFQI measure?). Perhaps consider an alternative way to introduce each area.

In Table 2 perhaps include a legend detailing the green and red highlighted areas (I also note that you have done this in the text of the results section)

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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.