Reviewer’s report

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

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Discretionary revision

1- Abstract can be improved on with some revision e.g.
   a- Background: Performance indicators in the long term care sector are important because...
   b- Objective: instead of "describing, demonstrating, discussing, calculating and showing" you're objective seems to be "to develop a common set of LTCFQIs at the European level"

2- Avoid direct questioning as a prelude to discussion e.g. "How good is the aggregate LTCFQI measure?"

3- Concluding remarks need revision, still too much "exploring, demonstrating and showing"

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I do not have any conflicting interests