Reviewer's report

**Title:** Voting with their feet - Predictors of Discharge Against Medical Advice in Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal Ischaemic Heart Disease inpatients in Western Australia: an analytic study using data linkage

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**Reviewer:** Max Geraedts

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This is an interesting and well written contribution to the study of determinants of discharge against medical advice in patients with ischaemic heart disease. In the introduction, the authors clearly acknowledge the current published work upon which their research was build. The authors pose a well defined research question, use appropriate and well described methods and sound data to answer the question, report clearly on the results and discuss their findings in a balanced way. The conclusions are adequately supported by the data. Title and abstract of the article convey accurately what has been found.

Major compulsory revisions: none

Minor essential revisions:
- abstract: please provide data on the observation period in the methods section;
- discussion, paragraph 6: please mention any available information on the quality of the administrative data used (quality of coding etc)

Discretionary revisions: none

**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