Reviewer's report

Title: Health Examination Utilization in the Visually Disabled Population in Taiwan: A Nationwide Cohort Study

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Major
1. From the title, the authors explored the health examination utilization in the visually disabled population using the cohort design; however, in the method part, the authors did not emphasize in either from patient selection or from the differences in outcomes after follow-up. The authors should describe more details in the method part related to the cohort design.

2. Page 5, the author mentioned to analyze the relevant factors associated with lower health examination utilization; however, the study design and results did not display those findings separately.

Minor
1. Page 3, the first paragraph, “and they are especially vulnerable to …..” It is blurred for the connection.

2. Page 4, the second paragraph, for the reference describing the Taiwan’s situation, the authors should consider citing the studies in Taiwan using the general population instead of the specific patient group such as patients with hypertension.

3. page 7, the second paragraph, regarding the presence of concurrent chronic illnesses, should define more clearly.

4. page 13, the second paragraph, the suggestion: “organizing patient-family groups….”, the study results did not provide those information or the authors should consider establishing some evidences for this conclusion.

5. page 15, in the limitations part, the author should mention using the PEMS to represent the income level and it’s drawbacks.

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.