Reviewer's report

Title: What factors explain the amount of utilization of physical therapy care in patients referred with low back pain; a multilevel analysis

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General
The authors have addressed the comments raised comprehensively.

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)
While the authors have added the phrase 'number of physical therapy treatment sessions' to the title, aims and other parts of the manuscripts the first sentence in the abstract and background sections may not be clear to readers. The rephrasing of 'physical therapy utilisation' to the 'number of physical therapy treatment sessions' in these parts of the text would improve clarity.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that i have no competing interests.