Reviewer's report

**Title:** A systematic evaluation of payback of publicly funded health and health services research in Hong Kong

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**Reviewer:** Stephen Robert Hanney

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**General**
The comments I made previously have been dealt with entirely satisfactorily, there is though one small point about Figure 3 that I've now made under minor essential revisions

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

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**Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)**

I'm not quite sure why but on Figure 3 there appears (at least on the version I received) to be no data for Publications for NHS 2 Programme. As far as I am aware it ought to be just over 85% and it might be there but covered by the other Programmes, but then there is no line to the next item as there should be.

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**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:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

See previous comments