Reviewer's report

Title: Determinants of Distance Walked During the Six-Minute Walk Test in Patients Undergoing Cardiac Surgery

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In general, the manuscript is well written and relevant to the rehabilitation field. However, some points need to be elucidated.

Major Compulsory Revisions
Methods: Why did the authors just include elective surgeries? At what moment the authors considered the quality of life questionnaire? Symptoms one month before surgery?
Discussion: 4th paragraph - the authors say that the influence of CPB in 6MWD was minimal, but positive. And they say that it happened because more severe patients were excluded. I ask: more severe means urgent surgeries? Please clarify the text.

Minor Essential Revisions
Introduction: 6MWD must be explained. The authors use this abbreviation without explanation.
Conclusion: the authors did not mention one of the aims: reliability of the equation.

Discretionary Revisions
Title: I would add "at hospital discharge"
Table 1 and 2: be careful about decimal numbers

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