Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Davide Duma

Reviewer's report:

Thank you for your answers, I found them exhaustive and convincing. I also found the manuscript improved in accordance with the suggestions of the other reviewer.

I just ask to verify (and, eventually, to modify) the second sentence in the Discussion section, since to the best of my knowledge NEDOCS score is NOT used nationwide. You reminded me that is chosen in Emilia-Romagna, it's OK, but my question was about that sense on Italy.

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