Reviewer’s report

Title: Evaluating capacity at three government referral hospital emergency units in the Kingdom of Eswatini using the WHO Hospital Emergency Unit Assessment Tool

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Reviewer: Saartje Berendsen Russell

Reviewer's report:

Thank you for allowing me to review your paper which gave me good insight into the challenges for emergency care workers in the Kingdom of Eswatini.

I have two main points of feedback.
1) It would be helpful to clarify which hospitals have which facilities. There are repeated occurrences whereby you say 2 of the 3 facilities had triage for example. Given the very different nature of each site as per Table 1, it would lend more context and clarity if you stated tertiary hospital and regional hospital one for instance or put it in a table.
2. A link to the HEAT tool would be helpful, as I am unfamiliar with it and it was not easy to find online.

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