Reviewer's report

Title: Patient perspectives on use of electronic health records for research recruitment

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Reviewer: Lauren Hamel

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I reviewed the manuscript "Patient perspectives on use of electronic health records for research recruitment" with great interest. I think the authors took on a really important question and something that will be of interest to anyone who recruits patients in any number of healthcare settings. I found this paper to be very well written and offered a series of interesting and important findings. My only critique is for the authors to give some more information about the focus group materials. Who created the materials, what type of processes was undertaken to ensure they were neutral regarding contacting patients for research, are they validated elsewhere, etc.? That would give me some more confidence in terms of what the focus groups were responding to.

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