Reviewer's report

Title: Factors Affecting the Work Competency and Stability of Family Doctors in Shanghai: A Tracking Study

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The manuscript described factors affecting the work competency and stability of family doctors in Shanghai. The comments are as follows:

1. This study is a follow-up study on the competence and stability of family doctors in Shanghai. However, the authors did not describe the background of the family doctor contract service system in Shanghai and China in the background section, which made it difficult for readers to understand the purpose and significance of this study. In addition, the authors did not review the literature on work competency and stability of family doctors.

2. The authors did not propose the research hypothesis for this paper. Therefore the follow-up study design was confused. Because of this, the current data analysis was not conducted in accordance with the follow up study.

3. The study was conducted in Changning District, Shanghai, but it was not specified why the study was conducted in this district.

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