Reviewer’s report

Title: Clinic and patient variation in intermediate clinical outcomes for type 2 diabetes: a multilevel analysis

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