Reviewer’s report

Title: The role of children and their socioeconomic resources for the risk of hospitalisation and mortality – A nationwide register-based study of the total Swedish population over the age 70

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The manuscript examined the role of children and their socioeconomic status for the hospitalization and mortality. It used nationwide large-sample data and analyzed the data suitably. The result was interesting and was discussed and interpreted well. I proposed only a few minor points for revision.

1. Table 1: Asterisks for Married, Index person's education, and other should be explained.

2. Table 2: The value should be rounded to one decimal places. Horizontal lines could be drawn over and below the line of "Adult children's education level".

3. Figure 1 and Figure 2: The meaning of vertical line (probably 95%CI) should be mentioned. And the reference should be clarified.

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