Reviewer’s report

Title: Effects of Depression, Dementia and Delirium on Activities of Daily Living in Elderly Patients after Discharge

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In general, the document is well written and the questionnaires used are adequate. There are some comments for the authors:

Introduction:

In general, this section is very simple. It should include important aspects on the subject in question.

He names psychological disorders in general (depression, dementia and delirium), but he does not comment on a brief description of each of them.

Add your hypothesis in the introduction.

Methods:

Participants:

One of the inclusion criteria is not correctly understood: patients having a BI decline more than ten points within one month before the index hospitalization. Was it measured before entering and the month of being admitted? Please, clarify this information.

How were the variables of hearing disability, visual impairment and the number of falls recorded and evaluated?

Data collection:

The instruments used are not correctly explained. You must add what this scale consists of and your total score.

Include in the manuscript the Flowchart showing the assignment of participants to the study.
Discussion:

First paragraph omit, do not repeat your results.

Restructure the discussion, give a lot of information that could be summarized in more detail.

Are the methods appropriate and well described?
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No

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