Reviewer's report

Title: Challenges of hemodialysis in Vietnam: Experience from the first standardized district dialysis unit in Ho Chi Minh City

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In this paper, Duong and Colleagues describe a picture of the situation of a dialysis center in Ho Chi Min City between November 2012 and November 2013. Demographic characteristics of patients are described, HCV and HBV infection prevalence among dialysis population disclosed and non compliant or aggressive behaviors reported.

Today we face several challenges in hemodialysis and we are afraid of controlling calcium and phosphorus to increase patients’ expectancy of life but there are still countries in which the dilemma is whether to dialyze or not according to economic principles.

I think this paper is a testimony worth of being published.

Minor essential revisions
- Page 9, line 240: CONCLUSIONS, not INCLUSIONS, please correct.
- Would the Authors speculate why patients with the most aggressive behavior had a longer duration of dialysis?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests