Reviewer’s report

Title: Predictors of quality of life among inpatients in a forensic hospital. Implications for occupational therapists.

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Reviewer: Tom Palmstierna

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This paper is a very relevant contribution on how to care for the forensic psychiatric patients. It is unique in its approach and relevant. Methods are relevant. Even though this is a cross-sectional study, i.e. patients "flowing" through the system with shorter periods of stay may be underrepresented, it is a good picture on the needs for those patients that reside in these institutions. I only would like the authors to comment shortly on this issue. Also, I would like the authors to have some more and deeper reflections on how, and if, improving QOL for these patients could, or could not compromise the task in forensics of protecting the society from "dangerous" patients.

Apart from these comments, I think this paper is suitable for publication.

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