Reviewer's report

**Title:** Association Between Tobacco Use of Pulmonologists and Implementation of Comprehensive versus Regular Smoking Cessation Counseling, in Turkey: a cross-sectional study

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Category: Minor essential revisions

1. The title: please make it simple and easy to be understood. Use the word "practice" instead of "implementation", since the smoking cessation counseling is already to be a routine practice by pulmonologists, not the new program.

2. Use consistent wording. Example: counseling, instead of counselling

3. Change the term "comprehensive versus regular counseling" to be "brief intervention 5A versus 3A" in order to make it clear and avoid misunderstanding. Please refer Fiore 2008 Guideline for the term.

4. "Advice" must be change to be "advise". Please read carefully the 5A steps

5. Please explain did respondent fully understand the 5A steps that authors asked in the questionnaire. It is important since the questionnaire was self-administered. For example: Is there any previous training about 5A cessation for physicians?

6. Please add in discussion's part about others articles in cessation counseling among pulmonologists to support your findings.

7. Please consider the Stage of Change theory in discussion. It is necessary since the steps of 5A is rely on this theory. For example: Assist and Arrange work for patients who ready to quit, and the first 3A is suitable to those who not ready to quit.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**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