Reviewer’s report

Title: "An odyssey without receiving proper care" - Experts' views on palliative care provision for patients with migration background in Germany

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REQUESTED REVISIONS:

The study is limited in its research methods to make the assumptions it does. I would expect to see a more systems approach to its evaluation including service user/carer perspectives, process analysis of palliative care pathway for this population and a reflection on the international literature that is available in defining barriers to palliative care of a minority or disadvantaged population.

ADDITIONAL REQUESTS/SUGGESTIONS:

See literature from Sampson et al 2012 on a rapid appraisal methodology.

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