Reviewer’s report

Title: Quantitative and Qualitative Perceptions of the 2011 Residency Duty Hour Restrictions: A Multicenter, Multispecialty Cross Sectional Study

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When and why was this study conducted? There have been larger studies of the exact same nature published. This is well written, and conducted well (reasonable response rate, data analysis, etc).

The comment that this is the first study to include qualitative data imposes a higher standard for the discussion of methodology; this sounds like content analysis to me, but 2 reviewers assigning codes, as described is not very descriptive. Does this component add anything to the general body of knowledge regarding duty hours?

Overall, my review is limited and my recommendation is negative because I do not see any additional value to the publication of this manuscript. Should the editors find otherwise, I would not recommend significant changes to the manuscript other than some further description of the quantitative data review process.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests