Reviewer’s report

Title: Medical School Clinical Placements - The optimal method for assessing the clinical educational environment. A graduate entry perspective.

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Reviewer: Marjo Wijnen-Meijer

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Thank you for this interesting and well written paper.

I have just some small remarks:

- Background section, line 29-32 (starting with "Another important issue..."): Which reference does underpin this statement?
- Methods: What is the exact formulation of the tow-part open ended question of the MCPI?
- Methods: What was the order of the questions? Were the the questions about the suitability of the questionnaire asked after the completion of both questionnaires or after each directly?
- Discussion: To you have recommendations for medical schools, based on the results of this study?

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