Reviewer’s report

Title: The impact of patient feedback on the medical performance of qualified doctors: a systematic review

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Reviewer's report:
This is a timely and well written piece. The authors have ensured that sound methodology has been followed in order to include appropriate articles into the systematic review.

The authors have also given a balanced view by describing the potential limitations of the paper.

The article is timely because patient feedback is becoming more acceptable across the medical profession as a viable form of assessing interpersonal competence.

Understanding the factors that enable patient feedback to be more effective is valuable in a wide array of medical contexts, including education, CPD and revalidation.

I commend the authors for their valued research into this relatively under-researched area.

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