Reviewer's report

Title: Leveraging workflow control patterns in the domain of clinical practice guidelines

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I'm very sorry, but I continue having the same feelings about the article. A Workflow is defined by the WfMC as: The automation of a business process, in whole or part, during which documents, information or tasks are passed from one participant to another for action, according to a set of procedural rules.

As the authors can see, there is not any reference to the EXECUTION of the workflow. So it is not needed that a Workflow language was computer executable. This definition in the WORLDWIDE CURRENTLY ACCEPTED DEFINITION of workflow and this is not my personal opinion.

So in a workflow definition there are representation languages that are nearer to programming languages and others that are nearer to HUMAN UNDERSTANDABILITY like BPMN. So if workflows Are not your choice... BPMN is not your choice.

In any case, is not my work to teach authors about what is a workflow and what not.

In conclusion, I disagree with the arguments of the authors.

My final recommendation is reject.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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