Reviewer’s report

Title: Advanced Practice Nurses in Primary Care in Switzerland: An Analysis of Interprofessional Collaboration

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This paper addresses advanced practice nurses in primary care and their professional role in a Swiss context. It is an interesting topic, and as I understand, unexplored in Switzerland. There are, however, several ambiguities that need to be further processed and clarified.

BACKGROUND: The overall Swiss primary care context need to be described in more detail. As a part of this further development of the rationale for this study is needed. I also suggest that the authors consider to present the conceptual framing in the background text, and to do it more thoroughly.

METHODS: An overall comment is that this section need major revisions, much more detail is required in order to ascertain rigor and credibility of the work.

Aim and Design: Needs to be rewritten. To present the aim of a previous study, in connection with the present aim is confusing. Furthermore, the authors use alternative terms such as aim to: analyze the practice, explore the nature, understand the nature of...

Setting and Participants: Who contacted the participants? When? What information about the study was carried out?

Data Collection: Semi-structured interviews: Was it individual interviews? How were the questions formulated (were the informants asked to describe, or …)? Based on what? Where were the interviews conducted?

Observations: More details of the observation process is required. Was the only focus whether the interview statements could be verified in practice?

Data analysis: A more detailed description of how the analysis proceeded, and how the theoretical framework is used is necessary. Reliability is commonly used in quantitative research.

FINDINGS: This section need to be rewritten, in its present form it mainly present quotations.

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