Reviewer’s report

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My compliments for the very well written manuscript.

Although the study is limited in size, the information is rich and well analysed leading to clear results. The results are valuable for future practice, however generalizability needs to be improved.

However, to better understand the situation described in Swiss primary care and to improve generalizability, important information about the setting, such as the hierarchical culture and organisational structure of primary care is lacking. For instance, are clinical protocols for ANPs in place? Also, more information about the legal professional status and competencies of ANP and MPAs would be helpful. How are the practices and their staff financed? It would be interesting to compare these health system characteristics with other countries working with ANPs.

In addition it would be interesting to know more about the implementation. How was substitution implemented and how were the new professions introduced in PC? Does this seem to have a relation with their functioning?

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