Reviewer's report

Title: Rationing is a reality in rural physiotherapy: A qualitative exploration of service level decision-making.

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No major revisions. A good paper with a few minor typographical errors, which are easily correctable. I suggest to make this paper more useful, that a few sentences are written clearly outlining 'so what'? This would be helpful to assist readers to take up findings from this research and make them work for them in their local circumstances. For instance, if physiotherapists are faced with workforce shortages, is there a framework in which decisions can best be made about rationalisation, so that the least damage is done by service containment?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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