Reviewer's report

**Title:** How Can We Improve the Recognition, Reporting and Resolution of Medical Device-Related Incidents in Hospitals? A Qualitative Study of Frontline Clinicians

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**Reviewer:** Diana M Zuckerman

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**Major:**

1. How do interview responses compare to written policies at the facilities? Are the responses accurate? Is there any chance that those interviewed gave socially desirable responses rather than accurate ones?

2. It would be helpful to know how each step of the methodology compares with similar qualitative studies done previously, especially ones that are highly regarded in their field. See attached comments for questions regarding the stopping point for the interviews.

3. Was any effort made to find out if the suggestions made are in place at other hospitals or being considered at these facilities?

4. The narrative nature of the results makes it difficult to see patterns that would lead to next steps. Another Table might be useful to delineate those patterns and compare the facilities.

**Minor**

1. See attached for specific line number issues.

**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.