Reviewer's report

Title: Adaption and validation of Nijmegen continuity questionnaire to recognize the influencing factors of continuity of care for hypertensive patients in China

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Reviewer: Izabella Uchmanowicz

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Dear Sirs,

thank you for choosing me to review a paper: Adaption and validation of Nijmegen continuity questionnaire to recognize the influencing factors of continuity of care for hypertensive patients in China. In my opinion authors have made a good effort with the validation. The introduction and discussion are well written. The methods used for adaptation are in line with writing the validation study.

I have only two small concerns:

1/ you wrote: The original questionnaire was developed by Annemarie in Netherlands. With the permission of original author, a forward-back-translation procedure was adopted as recommended in a guideline by Beaton et al [18]. Two authors translated it into Chinese based on the English version of NCQ with the help of healthcare professionals and linguists in China. Whom do you mean by two authors (?) I assume that they must be the authors of the study, but please explain who they are? physician, a nurse?

2/ in the exclusion criteria you have written that uncontrolled heart failure is the criterion of exclusion, in my opinion heart failure itself should be the exclusion criterion because it may cause the bias in the results.
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Yes

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I am able to assess the statistics

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