Reviewer’s report

Title: Effect of a typical systemic hospital reform on inpatient expenditure for rural population: the Sanming model in China

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Reviewer: Monireh Afzali

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Dear author,

Your study has considered the impact of health reform on the rural population. This subject is very important for your local health system. Since you don't attend to the criteria of transferability it remains in a level of local information and no more attractive for other countries. Also, there are some additional notes that are listed below:

1- Some of the methodological information have expressed in the introduction section that is not required.

2- There is no information about how the health system reduces the charges for high-tech medical diagnostic tests. Are they subsidized by the government or something else?

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4- Please complete table 5 with more information of model including coefficient and Std.Err.

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