Reviewer’s report

Title: Mapping the evidence on pharmacological interventions for non-affective psychosis in humanitarian non-specialized settings: a UNHCR clinical guidance

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This paper deals with a timely issue for health professionals and for mental health professionals, that of the management of people with non-affective psychosis. It has been well established that this disorder causes high levels of disability and represents a major clinical and public health concern. Although the authors clearly define the aims of their study, there are many concerns which need to be addressed:

1. In the Introduction, epidemiological data regarding the incidence of non-affective psychosis in emergency situations is missing.

2. Authors state that in the last years non-affective psychosis have been less studied compared to other anxiety or emotional disorders, but they should circumstantiate this strong statement.

3. I have many concerns regarding the Methods. Authors report that they have adopted the GRADE methodology and the PICO framework, but they do not report the list of key-words used to retrieve papers as well as they do not report the time-frame of their search. This information is too important to be reported online only!

4. In the results' section, authors state that they included studies carried out in the general population for make recommendations. It is necessary to provide quotations regarding such studies. Which studies were considered? How many studies were included? More information are absolutely needed.

5. In the results' section, paragraph "C", authors provide a definition of treatment-resistant patient. Is this definition based on previous evidence? If not, an explanation should be provided.

6. In the Discussion, authors state that "only a small minority of included studies were performed in low-resource settings"; which are those studies?

7. The manuscript should be carefully checked throughout for typos.

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