Reviewer’s report

Title: Mortality after Inpatient Treatment for Diarrhea in Children: a Cohort Study

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Subject: Review report on the manuscript entitled "Mortality after Inpatient Treatment for Diarrhea in Children: a Cohort Study (Manuscript Number: BMED-D-18-01111)"

General comments: Thank you very much for considering me as one of the reviewers of this manuscript. The topic is important and the list of authors is highly experienced in this field. Moreover, the manuscript is written with a logical flow and really reader friendly. The authors should be congratulated for that. On the other hand, although, the topic is very important, most of the observations were known and the new observation is few. This may be considered for the acceptance as a brief report/short communication. Thus, the respected authors should revise this as brief report/short communication and submit for the acceptance.

Specific comments: The authors concluded in the 2nd sentence of abstract (and some part in the text) as "ensure referral to and facilitate uptake of services for malnutrition and HIV, and advise parents to seek help early in case of further problems." No results related to the statement are shown and thus, this sentence does not support results of the study. At best the authors can say (both in abstract and text) that "the results may accentuate the importance of referral ---------"

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