Reviewer's report

Title: What is the working situation and satisfaction of medical staff in pilot county hospitals and their understanding and perception of the reform: A study of public hospital reform in Hubei province of China

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Reviewer: Gerard Schmets

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Major revisions:

1) The paper should be shortened
2) The results as presented are confusing. Some paragraphs seem to contradict others. The results should be presented in a very clear way, comparing pilot with non pilot in a simple table. The conclusions and recommendations should be based on this table and presented in the form of bullet points.
3) The confusion may be due to issues of translation in English

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

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'