Reviewer’s report

Title: A framework for value-creating learning health systems

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The report has been improved overall.

There are minor issues noted throughout the document - see the PDF file for suggested corrections.

My main suggestion to the authors is to please review their perspective as to why LHSs, particularly those in Canada, may be embracing values such as equity, solidarity, etc. I would caution the authors that their suggestion that such values are endemic to Canadian healthcare because it is a public health system may get them in a bit of hot water so to speak. There is a general trend for public, mixed and private health systems to expand the meaning of health care making a shift from performance to quality, and this general trend is not Canada specific (it may have been the case a while ago, in 80s and 90s, but not now anymore), and embraces notions of equity along with performance.

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