Reviewer’s report

Title: An Internet-based algorithm for diabetic foot infection during the COVID-19 pandemic

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Reviewer: Byron Perrin

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this letter to the editor.

The potential implications of COVID19 are significant for people with diabetic foot disease (DFD) and it is important that global perspectives on the management of people with DFD are shared. This letter describes an internet based management guideline for DFD in China, which is of particular interest as changes to management have had more time to be considered.

The text is easy to read and the algorithm depicted in the figure is easy to follow. The suggested clinical decision making process appears appropriate in the context.

I was confused with the various descriptions of online interaction- this included "counseling", a "network platform" and "remote consultation system". This might be able to be simplified, or perhaps better description of what these terms mean could be considered. This might provide useful information on how the online interaction occurs as it appears to encompass instant messaging, uploading of files and providing information on a diverse array of health that included glucose control in addition to foot-health characteristics.

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