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Reviewer #3: The research objectives, findings and implications are very interesting. The manuscript is also well-written although some minor issues need to be revised.

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Methods:

- 1. Simple random sampling was used to select the patients, however, further additional information was needed to justify that the method was done correctly. For example, information about the total number of patients (as a population) from all 16 primary health centers.
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