

Review of: "Characterization of Workplace Violence in Healthcare Workers at an Emergency Room in Bogotá, Colombia"

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The article is interesting since it addresses the issue that has an impact on healthcare system globally including developed and developing countries in different magnitude. However, some points are essential to be elaborated.

1. The authors stated that this problem was once explored in 2016. Thus, what are the different aspects of the present study? considering the number of participants in present study is low. Moreover, it would be more intriguing and comprehensive if the results were compared to the mentioned study.

2. Non physician personnel were included into the study, although the main objective of the study is "This study aims to characterize workplace violence faced by emergency physicians at the emergency room of Hospital Universitario San Ignacio (HUSI)."

3. Number of personnel in the targeted population should be reported and used to calculate the sample size.

4. Questionnaire response rate should be stated to help clarify the reliability of the study.

5. In spite of the well-presented and straightforward results, the number reported in the gender section of the table 1 seems to be incorrect. Furthermore, the first age group (18-30 years old) is not comparable to the rest, etc. Please clarify the presenting data all over again.

6. What is the definition of verbal aggression and physical aggression in the present study? Was the scolding accounted as verbal violence?

Best regards,