

Review of: "Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of Refugee Children Utilizing Healthcare Services of Türkiye (2021-2022): A Single-Centre Study"

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Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.

The aim of this study was to describe the demographic and clinical characteristics of refugee children utilizing healthcare services in Türkiye. Below are some comments and concerns for consideration in revising this work:

1. The English language should be improved throughout the manuscript, as some parts that were supposed to be written in the past tense were written in the present tense. E.g., under the introduction section, it should read "Consequently, many of these children **had** acute or chronic malnutrition. Other factors of concern **included** premature birth, congenital anomalies, and high risk of child abuse and neglect.", "This study **was aimed at identifying** health risks and medical needs"

2. Under Abstract: The aim of this study is to describe healthcare utilization patterns of the pediatric refugee population admitted to emergency, outpatient, and inpatient services to enable hospitals to be better prepared to treat large numbers of refugee children. Under Introduction: This study aims to "identify health risks" and medical needs of refugee children admitted to the pediatric ED in Istanbul, as well as outpatient and inpatient services, to help understand the obstacles and identify any gaps in the care of refugee children.

Unfortunately, the identification of "health risks" was not done, mentioned, nor analytically analysed in the Results section of this manuscript.

Methods:

3. Rather say **0-18 years old**, instead of 0- to 18-year-old.

Results:

4. Under Outpatient Service Utilization section, paragraph 3, rather mention the exact p-values as shown in Table 3 instead of "($p < 0.05$)".

5. Quite a lot of inconsistencies when it comes to decimals - sometimes denoted by a dot (.) while some parts were denoted by a comma (,). E.g., paragraph 3, it should be $F: 3.532^*$, paragraph 4, it should ($p = 1.000^*$; $p = 0.800^*$; $p = 0.951^*$; $p = 0.164^*$ respectively). Malnutrition was diagnosed in 35 ($5.3\%^*$) of

6. In the Inpatient Service Utilization section, paragraph 2, it should be ($p = 0.009^*$).

7. What about the interpretations of Figure 1 shown under the Tables & Figures section?
8. Where are the result outputs and interpretations of the variables investigated via the probability plots and those done via the analytical methods (Kolmogorov-Smirnov/Shapiro-Wilk' test) as detailed in paragraph 6 of the Results section?
9. What about the result outputs and interpretations of the Chi-square test as explained in paragraph 6 of the Results section?
10. There were no limitations or conclusion sections in this manuscript.