

Review of: "[Commentary] Decentralization — "The Fundamental Challenge in the Pakistan Is the Decentralization of Health Care""

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- 1. Title mentions 'in the Pakistan'. Q: That should read 'in Pakistan'. Please change.
- 2. This short commentary is from 2024 where the challenge dates back to 2010 (18th amendment Act) Q: Why about a decennium and a half and outdated data reported as a commentary?
- 3. Q: Explain the value of changes in art 144 and art 270 in the 18th amendment.
- 4. Decentralization leads to fragmentation, disparity among patients, loss of quality of care and professional experience, and destruction of the principles of economy of scale. These aspects have not been mentioned. Q: Please include these in the manuscript discussion and conclusion.
- 5. Page 2 Health System in Pakistan 38.6 + 62.4 = 1012.0! Q: Please correct.
- 6. Para 2 and 3 most data are obsolete (2000, 2015, 2019). Q: Please update with current data.
- 7. Decentralization of the Health System Q: Elaborate on the three areas of workforce planning. What are the results?
- 8. Last para Q: Elaborate on the specific skills mentioned. What has been done and what are the results?
- 9. Page 3 Institutional Capacities and Decentralization: Q: First sentence needs completion!
- 10. First para analysis There is a difference between would and should. Why use both in the same operation of tasks? Please explain and correct.
- 11. Conclusion needs to be rewritten, explaining the late commentary (14 years!) and missing a constructive recommendation. Please take notice and change.