

Review of: "Integrating Mental Health Support in Emergency Planning and Disaster Risk Mitigation Strategies"

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The topic of this article is highly relevant, however, the text reads more like an opinion piece than a scientific article given that there is little formal data underpinning the conclusions.

In the abstract, I suggest to review the wording "lengthy suffer from". I also recommend to add Methods and Results sections in which the author describes which data she used to reach the conclusions. For example, what is the exact proportion of emergency plans of medical responses that do and do not have formal intervention procedures for mental health? Which data prove that that FEMA and Red Cross do not offer expedient assistance and that the assistance is not locally adapted? Are there specific examples of how involving local community members made a positive difference?

The conclusions sound plausible, but please gather and show the data, for example through a systematic review of the questions above, before writing the conclusions.