

# Review of: "Evaluation of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on nurses"

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## Introduction

- Unclear what "the density" relates to in paragraph 2 of introduction (increasing number of patients or increased patient load?)

## Method

- First paragraph First sentence needs a break. I suggest before the dates of the survey.
- Need clarity in regards to the total possible population (even an estimate). This would also allow you to provide a completion percentage.
- Good description of the questions. was the questionnaire validated by expert panel or some other review process. Also, were the questions open ended or likert scale?
- Good discussion of statistical measures used. r values needs a citation.

## Results

- Good discussion of descriptive results.
- Clarification in regards to a service nurse (what is their role?)

## Discussion

- Unsure of meaning of this line: considered low risk for the deadly and sickening effects of the virus" does this mean reduced the risk?
- Good comparison to other studies. Does the increased incidence also represent community acquired infection then?
- This section repeats itself: Very advanced anxiety scores in nurses/healthcare workers were statistically significantly higher than in doctors. The rates of nurses with high-stress scores were also found to be significantly higher than doctors.
- Almost all of them used it appropriately- how can your study make this claim? this is also self-reported use of PPE not observed use of PPE.
- Unsure of meaning of this line: there was sharing of experience/emotions, but not at a sufficient level.

