

Review of: "Health System Reform: Decentralization of Health System in Pakistan"

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Thank you for giving me the opportunity to evaluate this paper. It is difficult not to completely agree with the declarations of principle, the objectives, and the planned steps.

The key point is that these are declarations of principle, and there is a complete lack of evaluation of the tools necessary for a concrete implementation of the programme. As recalled by the author himself, a reform is not implemented in one night, and the risk that only a list of good intentions remains is very high. I think it is essential to develop a programme for measuring the objectives that begins to measure reality as it is, with particular attention to the differences - economic, social, orographic, and cultural - between the different provinces of the country. These elements, in fact, condition the final results in a heavy way and need specific programming that is the very essence of the desired reform.

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