

Review of: "Public Health Care Leadership Competencies Through the Lens of the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Review of What Matters in Managing Global Health Crisis"

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I recently had the opportunity to read your manuscript titled "Public Health Care Leadership Competencies Through the Lens of the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Review of What Matters in Managing Global Health Crisis." I must commend you on addressing a crucial aspect of our collective experience during the pandemic. Your exploration of effective leadership competencies in the post-COVID-19 era is both timely and significant.

I appreciate the thoroughness of your scoping literature review, which attempts to distill evidence-based leadership traits amid the challenges posed by the pandemic. Your work adds valuable insights to the discourse on crisis management and leadership within the public health sector.

Upon reviewing your manuscript, I noted the concern raised regarding the 53% similarity index. While I understand that the initial draft might require some refinement, I appreciate the diligence in suggesting a careful rewrite of the introduction, findings, and discussion. I believe that addressing this issue will enhance the originality and impact of your work, and I look forward to reviewing the revised sections.

Furthermore, I acknowledge your point about the limitations of scoping reviews. Your suggestion to explore systematic reviews, especially those focusing on leadership roles in Asian countries during the pandemic, is insightful. I took the time to read the suggested article (https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2021.743748), and it indeed provides a valuable perspective on the subject. Integrating relevant findings from such reviews could strengthen the comprehensiveness of your manuscript.

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