Reviewer's report

Title: Survey of medical genetic services in Italy: year 2011

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Major compulsory revision: Essentially the description given is sufficient to describe the work done in Italy. However, the approach is incomplete because there is not a description of the existing public health problems, such as access to services, need for new services, coverage given health system facilities in access to specialized services, etc. It requires further information so that it can be susceptible to publication.

On the other hand, authors talk of only one year. The approach should be several years in order to establish the evolution of specialized services in Genetics and future needs. It is also necessary correlation with health indicators in the country, as well as the current socio-economic situation. It is important to also mention community services in Genetics, gateway to the health system, and public policy in this area that define the final type, quality and quantity of services to offer.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests