PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Meta-Analysis

Manuscript NO: 76720

Title: No increase in burnout in health care workers during the initial COVID-19 outbreak: Systematic review and meta-analysis.

Provenance and peer review: Invited Manuscript; Externally peer reviewed

Peer-review model: Single blind

Reviewer’s code: 04726030

Position: Peer Reviewer

Academic degree: PhD

Professional title: Academic Fellow, Academic Research, Lecturer, Research Fellow

Reviewer’s Country/Territory: Nigeria

Author’s Country/Territory: Switzerland

Manuscript submission date: 2022-04-04

Reviewer chosen by: AI Technique

Reviewer accepted review: 2022-04-11 06:43

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Review time: 1 Hour

### Scientific quality

- [ ] Grade A: Excellent
- [Y] Grade B: Very good
- [ ] Grade C: Good
- [ ] Grade D: Fair
- [ ] Grade E: Do not publish

### Language quality

- [ ] Grade A: Priority publishing
- [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing
- [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing
- [ ] Grade D: Rejection

### Conclusion

- [ ] Accept (High priority)
- [Y] Accept (General priority)
- [ ] Minor revision
- [ ] Major revision
- [ ] Rejection

### Re-review

- [ ] Yes
- [Y] No
SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
The objective of this literature review and meta-analysis is to have a comprehensive understanding about burnout and work-related stress in Healthcare Workers (HCWs) around the world during the first outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. I have just read the manuscript and I must say that the authors did a great job.
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
Dear Authors, I reviewed your manuscript. You may find as follows my main comments/suggestions: 1. No conclusions are included in the abstract section. This section must be briefly described the implications of the study, followed by recommendations for future studies. 2. In the “limitations of the study” section, I suggest the authors to add some brief consideration on other potential risk factors of occupational burnout (e.g., grief caused by multiple losses, personal characteristics, and limited supportive resources to handle workload) during the COVID-19 pandemic with appropriate references (see doi: 10.1177/20101058211040575). 3. Please review the manuscript for use of acronyms. For this purpose, define the acronyms separately in the abstract and introduction before using them in other sections of the manuscript. For example “the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)” or “HCWs.” 4. Finally, I suggest that the manuscript is proofread by a native English speaker or Editing service. So please make sure there are no English errors.