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Dear Dr. Soto and colleagues, This is a very clearly written paper, and you make a good case for why the topic is an important one, particularly in a medical landscape that is changing rapidly as new technologies become available. The models you describe rely (as they must) on many assumptions but the paper is clear about what these are. The statistical tests appear appropriate to estimating the likelihoods and consequences of complex health phenomena such as liver transplantation, which is difficult to do. The study does have limitations, such as detoxification and abstinence rate assumptions being drawn from studies with small sample sizes, but these are noted in the Discussion. These limitations point to important areas of future research into efficacy and cost-effective mental health treatments for alcohol abuse, as well as other areas. Overall, an interesting and worthwhile paper.