Reviewer’s report

Title: Use of non-prescription analgesics in the Norwegian HUNT3 population: Impact of gender, age, exercise and prescription of opioids.

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Reviewer: Cheryl Sadowski

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Overall excellent response to the suggested revisions, with a much more complete and readable paper.

Compulsory Revisions
editing - ‘advice’ should be ‘advise’ in the background, or ‘provide advice’
editing - webside should be website

Discretionary Revisions
The addition of the survey questions is helpful but could also be included as an appendix for easier review.
Discussion - the comments about guidelines and age are important and accurate but should be referenced.
Conclusions - there is an assumption that giving the physician control is better, but that could be debated among patient groups who want to be empowered and supported to make their own healthcare decisions. This could be somewhat cultural, or shifts happening with the next generations.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.