

## Peer Review File

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### Reviewer Comments

Succinct but enough presentation for the research. Please see below minor comments for potential revision:

1. Lines 51-52: The last sentence is a bit beyond the study which can cover. Please removed if okay.

Yes, thank you. We removed and changed it to outcomes to complete the sentence.

2. Introduction: Since LOS is not the outcome in your study, introduction can focus on readmission rather than LOS. If still interested in talking about LOS, please put the writing into discussion. The rest of writing should be enough to justify why looking at readmission.

Thank you, we changed the first paragraph of the introduction to align with the hospital readmissions as the main focus.

3. Results: The paragraph is too busy; please separate into at least two paragraphs: one for patient characteristics and one for outcome?

Thank you, we agree. In the results section, first paragraph describes the cohort, second paragraph to reflect the demographics and the third to reflect the outcomes.

4. Line 195: Please enrich the writing for the exposure of admission status in somewhere.

Thank you, we expanded from 195 to 201 lines.