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| Title of the Manuscript: | **FACTORS INFLUENCING BURDEN OF PALLIATIVE AND END OF LIFE CARE AMONG INFORMAL CAREGIVERS OF PEOPLE WITH CANCER IN A TERTIARY HOSPITAL, PORT HARCOURT, NIGERIA** |
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| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | This manuscript addresses a critically important area of healthcare research by examining the burden experienced by informal caregivers of cancer patients in Nigeria. However, the manuscript requires substantial methodological and reporting improvements. | Fixed |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?**  **(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | You should include the research design in the title. | Yes the supervisor insisted it should be kept the way it is. |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | Specify the questionnaires used (e.g., "Multidimensional Scale of Perceived Social Support, Revised Scale for Caregiving Self-Efficacy"). Include specific statistical analyses performed beyond descriptive statistics | The study also utilized inferential statistical analysis to examine the relationships between caregiver burden and various influencing factors. Specifically, Chi-square tests were conducted to identify significant associations between caregiver burden and demographic, social, or clinical variables. This helped to determine which factors had a statistically significant impact on the level of burden experienced by caregivers. |
| Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here. | The authors claim to "identify factors influencing burden" using only descriptive statistics, which cannot identify associated factors or control for confounders. Multiple regression analysis is mentioned in methods but never reported in results. Critical information is missing including which variables served as dependent and independent variables, the rationale for variable selection, and the actual regression findings. Additionally, table legends are inadequate, failing to provide sufficient detail for readers to interpret the data independently. Conclusions exceed what the data can support (SPIN). | Improved |
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