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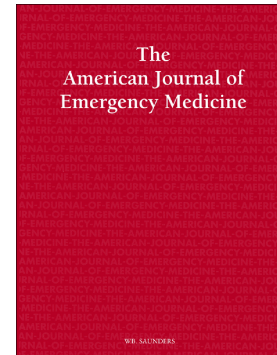
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Reviewer Comments:

Reviewer #1: Interesting study. Very thorough for a retrospective study with inherent limitations. Very good statistical analysis; well reported tables and charts and graphs.

The one question I have is if any of the discharged pts. were followed up for any re-attempts of suicide or delayed deaths or morbidity due to being discharged.

[Answer] Thank you for your comments. As you mentioned, the beneficial effect of hospitalization might be associated with the reduction of repetitive suicide behavior, morbidity, and mortality.

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