

## **FM REVIEW 2015 1 COMMENTS**

**COMMENTS TO EDITOR:** This is a touching essay by a second year resident that describes the rewards of caring for a refugee population. It is simple and straightforward - almost too much so - but it is heartwarming. I recommend that the author at least consider mentioning that not every refugee has such an uncomplicatedly a happy outcome. Otherwise, the author needs only to disclose a little more of her own reactions when her patient makes an incredibly touching statement of trust; as well as make a few minor stylistic changes

**COMMENTS TO AUTHOR:** This is a nicely written, heartwarming essay that describes the rewards of caring for a refugee population. A few small changes will strengthen its impact. First, although it is wonderful that the large majority of the refugees you see seem to do so well, can you at least acknowledge in a sentence or two that not every story has a happy ending? The way the essay is currently written seems to oversimplify the complex nature of the refugee experience.

Secondly, could you address reviewer 1's concern about showing a little bit more of yourself after your patient has made his moving disclosure. How did you feel? How did you respond? Did his comment give you new insights into the refugee population that could help you refine your approach in the future?

Finally, please pay attention to very minor stylistic changes suggested in the attached.

Thank you for a lovely essay that well expresses what drives so many family docs to serve.

**COMMENTS TO EDITOR II:** This is a touching essay by a resident that expresses the satisfactions and rewards of caring for an immigrant refugee population. The essence of the story is articulated well. There are a few writing problems with the material the author added; but if she will accept the very minor suggestions attached, I recommend accepting this submission.

**COMMENTS TO AUTHOR II:** Thank you for taking the time and making the effort to share your positive experience with an immigrant refugee patient population. Patients such as these can be frustrating for some residents to work with because of the many cultural differences. It is heartening to read a perspective which emphasizes appreciation and gratitude. Thank you also for acknowledging that not every story has a happy ending.

Please note the minor suggested changes on the attached and either incorporate them into a revised manuscript; or make your own revisions to correct these small stylistic problems.

**COMMENTS TO EDITOR III:** The author has made the minor requested changes. The essay reads very well and shares a sweet perspective on what it is like to care for an immigrant refugee population.

**COMMENTS TO AUTHOR III:** This has evolved into a lovely essay that opens a window on what it is like to care for an immigrant refugee population. Nice work!