

This is an interesting topic about surveys of day-case surgery for major foot and ankle. Through this study, the author can draw some valuable conclusions, which will also provide a basis for the consensus of the guidelines. But, I have a question for this study. How many members in BOAFS? In this study, 153 qualified questionnaires were included in this survey. Is it representative enough? It is suggested to further expand the number of questionnaires to make the conclusions more representative.

We have added more detail on membership to the methods and added as a limitation in the discussion. Thank you.

The manuscript deals with the possibility to perform major foot and ankle surgeries as day-case. The topic is interesting and actual. The manuscript is well written. I think it is suitable for publication after minor revision. My comments are the following: INTRODUCTION This section is quite too long. I would suggest to move lines from "When observing the outcomes following outpatient total ankle " to "low risk for complications " into discussion session. METHODS Barriers to increasing day-case surgery in major foot and ankle procedures: The percentage of unplanned readmission is really high and could influence the possibility of performing these procedures as day cases. I would suggest to address it in discussion session. DISCUSSION Limitations. The characteristic of being a survey is a limitation itself. A survey does not make sure that data provided by the respondents are reliable and truthful. Each person may overestimate or underestimate the real numbers and so they could influence the results of this study.

Moved paragraph from introduction to discussion as suggested. Discussed main complications (pain and readmissions) to the discussion. Added survey limitations to the discussion. Thank you.