**Supplementary Online Content: Appendix B**

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| **Variable** | **Delirium experts****N (%)** | **Delirium non experts****N (%)** | **Chi squared** | **P value** |
| Routine assessment for delirium in the daily practice | **59 (95%)** | **81 (92%)** | **0.277** | **0.673** |
| Pharmacological as the first approach for the management of hyperactive delirium | **7 (11.2%)** | **6 (6.8%)** | **0.441** | **0.506** |
| Non pharmacological as the first approach for the management of hyperactive delirium | **16 (25.8%)** | **28 (31.8%)** | **0.377** | **0.539** |
| Non pharmacological as the first approach for the management of hypoactive delirium  | **46 (74.2%)** | **52 (61.2%)** | **2.179** | **0.018** |
| Haloperidol as the first line pharmacological management of agitation in hyperactive delirium  | **53 (91.4%)** | **63 (76.8%)** | **6.606** | **0.010** |
| Oral route for the haloperidol use | **52 (83.9%)** | **64 (75.3%)** | **1.111** | **0.291** |
| Routinely evaluation of the QTc interval on the ECG before initiating medication | **39 (63.9%)** | **52 (59.8%)** | **0.116** | **0.733** |