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Title of the Manuscript:	PROFILE OF ELDERLY PEOPLE WITH HIV IN BRAZIL FROM 2019 TO 2023
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>		
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>Additional Suggestions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health Implications: Consider adding more focus on the public health implications of your findings, particularly the need for targeted sexual health education for the elderly. This could elevate the manuscript's relevance to policy-making. Future Research: It would be beneficial to include suggestions for future research in your conclusion, especially studies that could explore interventions, cultural factors, or specific challenges in elderly HIV prevention. <p>With these revisions, the manuscript will have a stronger narrative and better appeal to the target audience for publication.</p>	
<p>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.</p>	<p>Technical Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grammar and Spelling: There are a few minor grammatical issues and missing punctuation marks. For instance, some sentences lack commas, making them harder to read. A careful proofreading pass would be beneficial. Figures and Tables: The tables are informative but would be clearer with proper titles and more concise labeling. Also, aligning the columns neatly would improve readability. Keywords: Consider revising the keywords to include terms like "geriatric HIV epidemic" and "HIV regional analysis" for better indexing in research databases. 	
<p>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusion: The conclusion could be stronger by offering specific recommendations based on the findings, particularly regarding interventions and policies that could be implemented to mitigate the rise of HIV in elderly populations. References: The references are mostly up-to-date, but a few more recent studies, especially global or Latin American research, could add depth. Additionally, be sure to maintain a consistent referencing style throughout. 	

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<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>3. Results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The tables provide clear data, but some important insights or patterns could be further discussed directly in the text.○ Some results could benefit from additional visual aids like graphs or charts to make trends more apparent.○ The comparison between regions and genders is well-done, but it would help to highlight any statistically significant differences across regions or gender groups. <p>4. Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The discussion ties back well to the introduction, but some points need deeper analysis. For instance, why do certain regions like the Southeast have higher rates of HIV? Further exploration into socioeconomic or cultural factors would be beneficial.○ The impact of gender differences in HIV diagnoses is mentioned but could be expanded, particularly in relation to access to healthcare or societal stigma.○ The limitations section is clear, but you might want to consider addressing the potential for underreporting due to stigma, especially in elderly populations.○ .	
<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</p> <p>-</p>		

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<p><u>Minor REVISION</u> comments</p> <p>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Decision: Minor Revisions Required</p> <p>Reasoning:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Content Strength: The manuscript presents valuable data on a growing public health issue. The methodology is sound, and the results are clearly presented, providing important insights into the epidemiological profile of elderly people with HIV in Brazil.2. Areas for Improvement: While the content is solid, there are areas that need improvement to enhance clarity, flow, and depth of analysis, particularly in the discussion and conclusion sections. Some grammatical errors and formatting issues also need to be addressed.3. Contribution to the Field: This research contributes significantly to understanding HIV among the elderly in Brazil, which is often underrepresented in public health discussions. By addressing the suggested revisions, the manuscript will provide even greater value to the field.	
<p><u>Optional/General</u> comments</p>	<p>General Comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Clarity and Flow: The manuscript presents crucial data regarding the epidemiological profile of elderly people with HIV in Brazil. The structure is clear, but some sections would benefit from better transitions between ideas. This would help improve the overall flow and readability.6. Introduction: The introduction does a good job highlighting the issue. However, it can be expanded to include more recent references or global comparisons to strengthen the rationale for focusing on elderly populations. Additionally, you might include some statistics on global trends to provide a broader context.7. Methods: The methods section is well-explained, particularly in terms of data collection. You might expand on why you chose the five-year period from 2019 to 2023 and how the sample size impacts the results. Clarifying the rationale behind the inclusion/exclusion criteria would also be useful.	

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	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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