

Table 3 Linear regression of consultation time with patient and physician variables (dependent variable)

Variable	B	SE	Beta	t	P-value
Constant	3.00	0.45		6.72	< 0.001
<i>Patient variables</i>					
Age	0.03	0.00	0.24	8.15	< 0.001
No. of health problems	1.43	0.09	0.49	16.62	< 0.001
No. of previously used drugs	-0.29	0.05	-0.17	-5.25	< 0.001
<i>Physician variables</i>					
Age	-0.03	0.01	-0.12	-4.24	< 0.001
No. of drugs prescribed	0.49	0.10	0.15	4.90	< 0.001
No. of injectable drugs prescribed	0.03	0.15	0.05	2.03	0.043
No. of patients in waiting room	-0.11	0.04	-0.08	-3.25	< 0.001
Frequency of interruptions to consultation	1.06	0.09	0.30	11.66	< 0.001

Model: $F = 131.4$, degree of freedom = 8, $P < 0.001$. Predictors: (constant), physician's age, number of patients in waiting room, injectable drugs, frequency of interruptions, number of previously used drugs, number of health problems, patient's age, number of prescribed drugs.

B = raw score regression coefficient; SE = standard error of B; beta = standardized regression coefficient; t = t-value for B (B divided by SE).