

Table 2: The correlation between the I²-distance and the initial input indicators for patient satisfaction.

Indicator	I²-distance
General satisfaction regarding nursing care	0.935**
General satisfaction regarding physicians' services	0.899**
Satisfaction regarding results of medical treatment	0.851**
Satisfaction regarding courtesy of healthcare workers	0.850**
General satisfaction regarding diagnostics services during the hospital stay	0.778**

** $p < 0.01$