

## **Reviewer's report**

**Title:** Recognition of depression by primary care clinicians in rural Ethiopia

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**Reviewer:** Anja Cerne

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Dear Authors,

I find your paper very interesting and very well written.

Here are my comments:

- How many patients refused to participate in the study? why? are there any differences between those who participated and those who refused?
  
- Can you describe (sociodemographic characteristics, education, how many patients on average they encounter each day...) the clinicians who participated in the study?
  
- It would be interesting to know what were the clinical encounter of those who were diagnosed for depression regarding PHQ score.

**Are the methods appropriate and well described?**

If not, please specify what is required in your comments to the authors.

Yes

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Yes

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