

Reviewer's report

Title: Training and deployment of medical doctors in Tanzania post-1990s health sector reforms: Assessing the achievements

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Line 100 - Please rethink the word re-enactment and possibly use introduction of private sector practices

line 102 - Please explain what powers were transferred from the central government

line 117 - Are there numbers to validate 'too low'

Were the private medical institutions accredited?

line 166 - this is an important point - Can the authors expand a little on the impact of not having this data

line 175 - Please justify 'too high'

The Conclusions are relevant and consistent with other studies -this should be indicated.

It would also strengthened the paper if there is some attention given to the importance of considering the number and quality of qualified educators.

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