Reviewer's report

Title: Racial disparities in infant mortality: What has birth weight got to do with it and how large is it?

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The authors have addressed many of the comments made in the previous review.

Minor essential revisions:
1. Page 4, line 17: “medicate” should be “mediate”
2. Page 12, line 7: Remove s in "...confidence intervals s are..."
3. Page 12, line 21: Reduce indentation of paragraph
4. Page 12, line 24: Capitalize “the” in “The probability of infant death for…”

Discretionary revisions:
1. Page 19, lines 4-5: It is unclear what is meant by “we have truncated the models to match the data.”

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.