Reviewer's report

Title: Limiting the Caesarean Section rate in low risk pregnancies is key to lowering the tide of abdominal deliveries: an observational study

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This is a well performed and timely study relating to variations in caesarean rate between institutions. The tables might be more legible if a plain white background were used rather than shading. A similar between-institution comparison was published in 2010 in Am J Obstet Gynecol by Brennan et al and should be cited in the Discussion section. One of the small institutions included (no. 3) shows a markedly different delivery pattern than the others. The authors may wish to comment further on the background factors which pertain in the different units.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests.