Reviewer's report

Title: Midwives' lived experience of a birth where the woman suffers an obstetric anal sphincter injury. A phenomenological study

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Reviewer: Holly Priddis

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Thank you for revising the manuscript.

• Discretionary Revisions
  In the previous review I requested information regarding the other questions that were asked during the interview. In response, a sentence inserted at line 142 expanding on the use of clarifying questions was inserted. This sentence and the sentence above (at line 141) could be incorporated into one sentence. The use of example clarifying questions are helpful, I would avoid using “etc” in a journal article.
  • Minor Essential Revisions - none
  • Major Compulsory Revisions - none

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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