Reviewer's report

Title: Utilization of PMTCT services and associated factors among pregnant women attending antenatal clinics in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

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Review comments on the paper: Utilization of PMTCT services and associated factors among pregnant women attending antenatal clinics in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, by Deressa et al.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to review this paper. The papers reads well and is addressing important public health issue that is pertinent at the moment as most countries are scaling up PMTCT services and even adopting new strategies such as PMTCT option B+.

The paper reads very well, and the authors articulated well the ideas and presentation of the study findings and the implication of their findings. There are however, some few things that need to be clarified on the methods and results section. I will highlight some of these issues in the comments below:

Methods:
It was unclear how the hospitals were selected? i.e. out of how many hospitals in Addis Ababa.
Participants for FGD were purposively selected; it will be useful to describe what were the criteria of selecting these participants. I am wondering if all providers participated in the IDIs, if not useful to describe the group of those recruited.

Health facilities were sampled, however, in the analysis it is not mentioned whether the survey analysis procedures were used or not?

Results:
Well presented, however tables may need some refining, for example the total column does not provide any meaningful information.

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