Reviewer's report

Title: Criteria for clinical audit of women friendly care and providers' perception in Malawi

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Overall
This is an original report that will be of interest to those working on clinical audit.

Abstract
The abstract is complete and describes the study well.

Introduction
The introduction is complete with the appropriate literature review. The setting of the study is clear as are the objectives.

Methods
The authors described their methods thoroughly and were the appropriate methods for the study.

Results
The numbers used are adequate to describe the result. The statistical methods are appropriate and clearly understood. The tables and figures are clear.

Discussion & conclusions
This is a shot paper describing the first phase of a much larger study. The discussion is short and appropriate. The most important finding is the worry that the health care providers have that the audit will result in victimisation. This is quantified and worth taking into consideration when introducing audit. This is the value of the paper.

I do not think the article needs any revisions

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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