Reviewer's report

Title: Maternal and neonatal factors associated with mode of delivery under a universal newborn hearing screening programme in Lagos, Nigeria

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The authors have addressed the major issues raised by both reviewers.

Some minor comments remain:

1. Page 6, Methods (Explanatory Variables) - says that multiple gestations excluded, but this variable appears in Tables 2 and 4.
2. Page 8, Results - please report actual percentages throughout, eg. "More than half (xx%) of emergency caesarean ..." "about a third (xx%) did not attend ..." etc.
3. Page 12, Discussion - second sentence "This also explains the increased odds associated with vaginal delivery compared with elective caesarean section. Even where caesarean section was indicated by past pregnancy history, vaginal delivery was attempted by several women until there was a glaring failure ...". Increased odds of what? And who were the several women - the 15 with previous CS who delivered vaginally? Please clarify.
4. Table 5 - add footnote to indicate variables for which odds ratios were adjusted

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

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 declare that I have no competing interests