Reviewer's report

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Discretionary Revisions:

Colposcopy is generally expensive and a Single Visit Approach cervical cancer prevention by “VIA and Cryotherapy” was evaluated by Goldie et al [1] and found that it is the best competitor of HPV testing. Moreover, it was accepted and widely used in many countries around the globe to prevent cervical cancer and its precursors. [2,3,4] Therefore, the authors should state clearly why it cannot be used in Shanxi province and why it was not included in these simulating analyses, in addition to “VIA and Colposcopy and LEEP”. In my opinion, it may be not only more cost-effective than “VIA and Colposcopy and LEEP” but may be even more cost-effective than careHPV.

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