Reviewer's report

Title: Swallowing Abnormalities in HIV infected children: An important cause of morbidity.

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I think that the article is interesting and should be accepted with only two major compulsory revisions:
1. The authors describe HIV-infected children that were referred for possible swallowing disorders, therefore although not confirmed I think that all patients had some swallowing problems. This is related to the Discussion related to the sentence "There was however no difference in the CD4 counts or clinical stage of HIV infection of those patients with or without swallow disorders in our series" To be able to state so would be to compare cases with HIV-infected controls not referred to their specialized consult.
2. No limitations of the work are clearly stated: for example: small size, no control group...

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