Reviewer's report

Title: Poor adherence to neonatal resuscitation guidelines exposed using camera surveillance at a tertiary hospital in Nepal.

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Major Compulsory Revisions:
The HBB protocol does not advocate APGAR score for determining or deciding whether the baby is asphyxiated or whether it needs resuscitation. The author needs to clarify as to what was the reason to include APGAR score when the birth attendants were trained in HBB protocol.

Minor Essential Revisions:
1) Page 07- Data collection: Last sentence "Material captured by the CCD cameras that did not contain a resuscitation situation, such as equipment checks, not newborn babies placed on the resuscitation table for observation, staff using the table as support for updating medical records etc, were reviewed and disregarded as disturbance" to be corrected as

"Material captured by the CCD cameras that did not contain a resuscitation situation, such as equipment checks, newborn babies not placed on the resuscitation table for observation, staff using the table as support for updating medical records etc, were reviewed and disregarded as disturbance"

2) Inter- and intra-rater reliability of the observational forms not mentioned.

3) Page 08- 3rd para last line "These were then compared with existing guidelines" to be corrected as

"These were then compared with existing guidelines"

Discretionary Revisions:
The full form of abbreviation CCD camera has not been mentioned. Of course Budget Dome camera has been mentioned, but still full form is necessary.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.

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