Reviewer's report

Title: Excellent outcomes among HIV+ children on ART, but unacceptably high pre-ART mortality and losses to follow-up: a cohort study from Cambodia

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Minor essential revision

On p8 (mortality section) suggest authors add a sentence to describe what table 2 presents eg. “Table 2 shows the mortality rates for children who received treatment measuring follow up time from start of ART in the first 3 months, from 3-6 months and from 6 months onwards and compares these with the rates in children who never received ART measuring follow up time from enrolment.”

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests