Reviewer's report

Title: An analysis of risk factors of non-fatal drowning among children in rural areas of Guangdong Province, China: A Case-Control Study

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The authors have done a nice job of revising this manuscript and responding to the feedback from myself and the other reviewers. This manuscript has some methodological flaws, but it also contributes nicely to an understudied problem. The sample is excellent, and was recruited from a population that is poorly understood by scientists.

I have just one small comment remaining. The references 41 and 42 are reversed, I believe. I also don’t think Morrongiello’s work suggests fathers are more tolerant of risk-taking than mothers; my memory of her research suggests that parents are equally tolerant of risk-taking in their children, but that they allow boys to take more risks than girls.

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'