Reviewer's report

Title: Absence of disparities in anthropometric measures among Chilean indigenous and non-indigenous newborns

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Minor Essential Revisions
1. Is the question posed by the authors well defined? Yes, but one key element is missing from the front end of the paper that is addressed in paragraph 2 of the Discussion section. The authors highlight that “well-established and actively supported prenatal control program appears to keep social disparities in reproductive outcomes quite limited in Chile.” A discussion of this in the introduction of the paper would let the reader know why you do not expect disparities in anthropometric measures among Chilean indigenous and non-indigenous newborns even when socioeconomic disparities exist. This would strengthen the argument of the paper.

2. Are the methods appropriate and well described? Yes.

3. Are the data sound? Yes, population based data.

4. Does the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition? Yes.

5. Are the discussion and conclusions well balanced and adequately supported by the data? Yes. More discussion about the public health prenatal control program in Chile would be nice.

6. Are limitations of the work clearly stated? Yes.

7. Do the authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished? Not stated.

8. Do the title and abstract accurately convey what has been found? Yes.


Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.