Reviewer's report

**Title:** Muslim adolescents and their views on sexuality. Using Internet forums as a means of qualitative research.

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**Reviewer:** Jacqueline Gahagan

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Minor Essential Revisions - the authors will need to proof-read the paper to ensure they have corrected a variety of grammatical and spelling/wording issues. They also need to offer a clearer definition of some of the key concepts they use throughout the paper such as morality standard, unwanted pregnancy, etc. (Please replace unwanted pregnancy with unintended pregnancy).

It would have also been helpful to learn more about the analysis of the data as this is very brief and very general in scope. Given the page constraints, it may have been more appropriate to focus only on the top 3 issues raised in the on-line discussions and to offer a more robust analysis to accompany these. Additional information on the theoretical perspective taken in the collection and analysis of the data would strengthen the paper and the discussion section in particular. What are the policy, programming and/or research implications for these findings and how can they be connected more fully to existing formal and/or informal sexual health-related infrastructures - within schools and the education sector more broadly, in public health or health promotion strategies, etc. There is a very limited gender-based analysis offered which leaves the reader wonder if this is simply another example of the sexual double standard between males and females in relation to their respective levels of gendered sexual autonomy or if this is really deeply embedded in religiousity or other belief systems. What does this mean for positive, healthy sexuality, for STI/HIV/pregnancy prevention, etc. rather than a restating of the restrictions placed on the development of healthy sexuality?

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**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.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare I have no competing interests.