Reviewer’s report

Title: Self-medication with Antibiotics for the Treatment of Menstrual Symptoms in Southwest Nigeria: A Cross-sectional Study

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The manuscript has improved. Most of the comments of the reviewers have been addressed. However, the added paragraphs are very lengthy and too many details are given.

Major Compulsory Revisions

1. The authors have added information on the setting and the survey instrument (administration) as requested. However, this could be presented in a more concise way, leaving out a number of details. In addition, since the survey instrument can be uploaded as supplementary material, there is no need to describe it in detail in the text. In general, they should try to reduce these paragraphs and the newly added paragraphs in the discussion by half.

2. Please remove data included in the tables from the text in the results (prevalence of self-medication) and the discussion sections.

Minor Essential Revisions

1. Remove the subtitles in the discussion
2. Add a proper legend to table 2
3. Discussion. In the survey by Ogunfowokan the questions on self-management of dysmenorrhea were open ended. Therefore, "tetracycline" should be interpreted as the only cited antibiotic, and the prevalence of use probably much lower than in this study.

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 inter