Reviewer's report

Title: Using population attributable risk to choose HIV prevention strategies in gay men

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Reviewer: Bruce R Schackman

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The authors have done a good job in responding to the reviewers' comments.

Discretionary revisions

1. Abstract: Insert the word "yearly" in reporting the cost results, similar to how it is used in the text.

2. In Tables 2 and 3 add a footnote explaining that the cost ranges are calculated "according to the bounds in delays in durations of time between infection and diagnoses and commencement of antiretroviral treatment" based on the best estimated PAR of the risk factors.

3. In the discussion section (last paragraph before conclusion) consider adding that although other health care costs and societal costs are not included, offsetting costs that would have been incurred anyway in the absence of HIV are also not deducted (e.g. for individuals diagnosed but not yet on ART).

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests