Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Assessment of alcohol problems using AUDIT in a prison setting: more than an 'aye or no' question

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**Reviewer:** Coral Sirdifield

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This is a very well written paper which makes a good contribution to the field. I would only like to make the following discretionary revisions:

Paragraph 3 of the background section, final sentence change the text to 'more than five times the equivalent general female population figure'

Paragraph 8 of the background section, remove the brackets around "AUDIT is a 10 question..."

Figure 1 - perhaps this could be given as an appendix to the paper rather than being in the main body of the paper

Paragraph 2 of the 'comparison by age group section' - looking at the table I think the '43%' should be '41%'

Paragraph 1 of 'association between drinking an crime' add an 's' to 'belief'

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests