Reviewer’s report

Title: Unmet need for induction of labour in Africa: Secondary analysis from the 2004 - 2005 WHO Global Maternal and Perinatal Health Survey (A cross-sectional survey)

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A major compulsory revision to be made is that limitations of the work must be clearly stated.
1. The question posed by the authors is well defined.
2. The methods are appropriate and well described.
3. The data is sound.
4. The manuscript adheres to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition.
5. The discussion and conclusions are well balanced and adequately supported by the data.
6. The authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished.
7. The title and abstract accurately convey what has been found.
8. The writing acceptable.

Minor essential revisions are:
P3- penultimate line should be rephrased thus-........had indications but labour was not induced.
P4- Under key words-unmet need NOT un-met need. This spelling should be consistent throughout the manuscript.
P4-line 5-do you mean"level of antenatal care"?
P6-line 6- change the word "connection" to "context".
P8-line 17-Under Statistical Analysis- (t) he rates of induction.
P11-line 15-"was noted" not "were noted".
P12-line 1-"a" huge unmet need
P12-line 3 -severe anaemia "and" other medical conditions.
P12-line 10 .........induction of labour was"relatively" high.
P13-line 18- "in" not "on" primary health care facilities.

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.