Reviewer’s report

Title: Migration experiences, employment status and psychological distress among Somali immigrants: A mixed-method international study

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Reviewer: Jane Herlihy

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This paper reads much more clearly now & will be an important contribution to the literature.

Some remaining "Minor issues not for publication":

Background
# United Nations & consider “this”…convention (to avoid sounding as though there are two of them.
# 'granted refugee status’ – would prefer to see the word ‘recognised’ used here.
# Last paragraph in this section : “limitations of the study…paper”. Remove – not needed here.

Research methods
# “NHS ethics committees” – be more specific – if multi-centre then name the IRAS system by name (for international audience)
# Just before list of questions: “open-ended”
# Last line before Outcome Measures : “46 4 percent”
# Quotation : “he is like that rubbish binf”

Discussion
# Reference to Herlihy, Scragg & Turner, 2002 – thanks for the citation, but I don’t think we really said that! Maybe in Psychology of Seeking Protection (2009)? Otherwise, omit. A ref. to a Steel/Silove paper might be more appropriate.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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 that I have no competing interests’