Reviewer's report

Title: HPV and cervical cancer related knowledge, awareness and testing behaviors in a community sample of female sex workers in China

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Reviewer: Catherine Houlihan

Reviewer's report:

Thank you for the review. Significant improvements are seen in the manuscript.

I remain with one concern which I think still warrants a Major Compulsory Revision.

In Table 4, you present the association between monthly income in Yuan (I assume) and ever had a pap smear or willingness to have vaccine. Firstly, in the table I suggest you add "Yuan", and "Months" where appropriate, so the reader knows the units. Secondly, seeing an uOR or aOR and 95%CI of 1.00(1.00-1.00) is concerning and confusing. I understand that it could happen (due to rounding of small decimals) however, I suggest you look at per 100 Yuan, or categorise income into groups to look at this association, rather than individual Yuan so that the association is clearly seen.

Otherwise, just a discretionary suggestion. Colleagues I've discussed this with here (including one statistician and one epidemiologist) prefer to see the actual p value rather than asterisks. However, how you present this is your decision.

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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