Reviewer's report

**Title:** Determinants of Breastfeeding in an urban population in Lebanon: a longitudinal study

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**Reviewer:** Aamer Imdad

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This manuscript is very well written. I have a major comments and few minor comments.

**Major comments:**

1) If you are describing the results of interventions from primary trial, please describe more details of primary study. Also describe that how many women were included from the primary study? I would recommend to keep this study to describe the baseline demographics and breastfeeding prevalence rates and describe the results of interventions in a separate paper, otherwise give more details about methods like sequence generation, allocation concealment and blinding etc.

**Minor**

1) Is there any epidemiology data on proportion of home and facility birth in Lebanon? Is it assumed in this study that all the births occur in hospitals in Lebanon?

2) Was a pilot done for the data collection sheet?

3) How was the sample size calculated for this study?

4) Did authors assess the breastfeeding status at six months too? If not, why not as WHO recommends exclusive breastfeeding till 6 months of age.

5) Please report the p values in results section when you are describing the numbers for different variables.

**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