Reviewer's report

Title: Television viewing through ages 2-5 years and bullying involvement in early elementary school.

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This is a very interesting paper, highly relevant for public health. Association between bullying behavior and exposure to violence in early childhood via television have great public interest and the results have relevance for policy makers.

The results that after controlling for covariates at baseline when children were 2-5 year olds was not independently associated with bully behavior is novel and deserves to be published. BMC Public Health journal is highly relevant forum for this paper.

The main concern I have is possible overcontrolling for covariates. The authors used a large number of covariates in adjusted analyses. How much colinearity there was between the covariates? How independent covariates were assoc with television watching or bullying behavior?

Otherwise the article is very well written

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.