Reviewer’s report

Title: From targets to ripples: Developing a capacity building assessment tool for use by multi-sector groups in remote Australian Indigenous communities

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Discretionary revisions
(1) Would it be possible to include some brief information about the distinction between domains and sub domains in the methods section? This would have helped me understand how ‘sustainability’ wasn’t discussed in step 1 or 2 of the findings, but appeared in step 3.

(2) I’m possibly being a pedant, but would the authors consider dropping the word ‘inherently’ on p.19 – I have concerns about people’s beliefs or values being so described.

(3) Is the information in Additional File 1 to be included in the article? It is a bit messy.

Minor essential revisions - none
Major compulsory revisions - none

This is a very interesting article. The ‘target to ripples’ part is fascinating.

I have said that this article would be of interest to those in closely related fields. I would like to note that there are multiple fields who would be interested - those interested in Indigenous health, those generally interested in food systems and those whose interest is specifically in capacity measurement.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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