Reviewer's report

Title: "Issues of equity are also issues of rights": Lessons from experiences in Southern Africa

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I have now read this manuscript, and while I think the topic is of great interest and importance and it is extremely important to publish the perspectives indicated in it, yet I was not particularly impressed by the manuscript in its current version.

In places I found it difficult to follow and every now and again there were words missing and sometimes double words which made reading difficult ("from of" together for example). Overall, the writing must be improved.

I was not particularly impressed by Figure 1.

To repeat: the topic is important and of interest, but to be considered for publication the readability of the manuscript must be improved--including inserting missing words and avoiding double (from to) word instances. And also avoiding such things as "...public health attention is increasing returning to reviving...(p11)" and "...a seminal case highlighting the justiciability of...."(p9)