Reviewer's report

**Title:** Public perceptions of quarantine: Findings of a community-based telephone survey in Greater Toronto

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Minor Essential Revisions

1. Page 4- Remove second "is" from first paragraph of "Participants and settings"
2. From same section- it would be useful if the authors described the term "so called bedroom communities"
3. Page 5- Correct the following sentence: "The telephone interviewers recieved train"
4. Page 6- Could the authors comment on the response rate- total number of people called etc
5. From the same page: Are the results desribed in this section actually documented in Table 2?
6. Page 10- The authors need to correct the following sentence: " While the planning and preparing for pandemic influenza..."

Table 2: If there is no significant differences between the two regions- it may be neater to present the totals for each question.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**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