Reviewer's report

Title: Assessment of knowledge, attitude and practice and associated factors towards palliative care among nurses working in selected hospitals, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

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Reviewer: Keith Swetz

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The authors are to be congratulated for undertaking this study of attitudes and needs assessment regarding palliative care in Ethiopia.

Major Compulsory Revisions
Unable to fully assess due to Minor Essential Revision #1.

Minor Essential Revisions
#1 An unacceptably high number of typos, grammar errors, punctuation and capitalizations errors and formatting issues. Strongly suggest working with a reputable group to proofread and give advice to clean this up prior to next revision. This makes accurate peer review difficult, and should be worked on prior to next review.

#2 As a clinician, not a methodologist--I believe the materials and methods can be cut. Pages 5-8 go into much more detail than is likely needed to analyse and discuss the findings. Given length of article, I think this can be tightened up.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

Speaking honoraria from Boston Scientific, Thoratec, and American College of Physicians.

No competing interests to this content.