Reviewer's report

Title: Socio-demographic factors and processes associated with stages of change for smoking cessation in pregnant versus non-pregnant women.

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Major Revisions
I still feel that the authors have paid lip service to environmental factors and the way they affect the chances of smoking cessation. For example, there is a large US literature on this topic especially as it relates to African Americans. Some mention of this literature is necessary. Even if a woman is pregnant and more sensitive to the health risks of smoking other environmental factors may affect the perceptions of smoking risk.

Minor revisions
The discussion is still relatively descriptive. Take one example - discuss why for non-pregnant women there was no relationship between cessation and education. Why not?

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.