Reviewer’s report

Title: Use of complementary and alternative medicine by Turkish infertility patients: a descriptive study

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Reviewer: Osman Günay

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Major Compulsory Revisions:

1. Sample size of the study was limited. It should be explained how the sample size was determined. Minimum sample size should be calculated before the study begins.
2. Writing style of the references should be revised totally according to the rules of the Journal (especially the numbers of the authors and the names of the journals).

Minor Essential Revisions:

1. The authors have stated that the female population in the region was homogenous in terms of ethnicity, religion and language and that all patients in the study sample were speaking Turkish and Kurdish (page 4, first sentence). On the other hand, they have stated that a midwife speaking Turkish and Kurdish was ready for translation. Why the investigators needed translation, if the study group was homogenous and all patients were speaking Turkish and Kurdish.

Discretionary Revisions

1. Logistic regression analysis may be beneficial to investigate the effect of socio-demographic factors on using CAM

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests