Reviewer's report

Title: The prevalence of traditional herbal medicine use among hypertensives living in South African communities

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The authors have made efforts to improve the clarity of the manuscript. Importantly, the authors have now clarified that the sample size for this 'prevalence' study was 135 (28 of whom were using THM to treat hypertension). This is a very small sample for such a study. Further, breaking down comparisons between those who used THM to treat hypertension and those who did not, leads to even more potential difficulties. Though I appreciate the efforts of the authors to improve the manuscript, I believe the sample size issue renders me unable to recommend publication.

Level of interest: An article of insufficient interest to warrant publication in a scientific/medical journal

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests