Reviewer's report

Title: Acute Care of At-Risk Newborns (ACoRN): Quantitative and qualitative educational evaluation of the program in a region of China.

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Minor essential revisions:

page 7, Methods, Setting and Participants, last paragraph: states 4011 annual nursery admissions and 22, 400 deliveries. How do the number of deliveries relate to admissions? Home deliveries? Mother-Baby format of care without a nursery? Special care nursery?

page 12, Knowledge evaluation pre v post increased about 10%. Can the authors comment? Disappointingly small change? Sustained foci of incorrect answers? Otherwise explained?

The authors mention needed, targeted changes in the case scenarios recognized in the study process. can the authors supply the reader with an illustrative example?

Table 2, 1st column, 4th box, 1st column--"Baby with central". Seems incomplete. Typo?

Table 4. Adds little to the understanding of the reader. Omit.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

No competing interests