Reviewer's report

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1. I have no compulsory revisions to suggest.
2. I have no essential revisions to suggest.
3. I believe the discussion of 'collateral benefits' throughout the paper would benefit from a more careful dissection of terms when first introduced. A brief discussion of the beneficiary (e.g., research participant, other identifiable individuals such as family members, community) would help the reader a great deal.

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.