Reviewer's report

Title: Consulting communities on sharing sickle cell disease findings in international health research: Views and values of residents in coastal Kenya.

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Reviewer: Janet Seeley

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This is a very well written and useful paper. My comments are below.

Compulsory revisions

For a reader unfamiliar with qualitative methods, mention of `framework analysis' in the abstract sounds that mysterious. This is not a widely used term beyond select social science circles, so please use an alternative explanation of your approach in the abstract. Likewise, on page 8, explain to the reader what you mean by inductively and deductively revived themes -- to a non-social science audience this will not be clear.

Readers may not know what the symptoms of SC disease are. When you mention families being concerned about what was happening to their child (page 9) I think you need to explain what the symptoms are.

The paper could make better use of cross-referencing -- this would help to cut down repetition (p.18 for example, material on risks of family breakup have already been mentioned, so reference to that here could be shorter).

Careful proof-reading is needed. The authors may also like to try and use the word `some' a little less and find an alternative for `countering', the use of this word at the start of a paragraph on page 17 is rather awkward, for example.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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