Reviewer's report

**Title:** Childhood tuberculosis desk guide and monitoring: An intervention to improve case management in Pakistan

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**Reviewer:** Stephen Graham

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This study provides original and interesting data, despite the limitations of before and after evaluation. The issues relating to improved child TB management and outcome with implementation of training tools are widely relevant. It is important to emphasise that what is being reported is increasing numbers of children being treated for TB - not necessarily (though it may be) more children with TB being treated - because of difficulties with confirmation.

Diagnosis in those under 5 - the most at-risk group for disease and poor outcome with disseminated disease - is clearly a challenge in this setting.

**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:**

'I declare that I have no competing interests'