Reviewer's report

Title: Strategic approaches to enhanced health service delivery for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with chronic illness: A qualitative study

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Minor Essential Revisions

I would recommend the following revisions:

Background
1st para, line 4: Please add USA as your references present a US data.
1st para, line 6: Please remove everything after "among Aboriginal" till the end of the sentence. In the current form it is redundant. Just name the indicators.
4th para, line 2: Add period after the word "system".
6th para, line 3. Please insert "the availability of" (that the availability of health care...)

Methods
Please add study limitations.
9th para, line 9: change comma to period after the word "health".

Results
Aboriginal and TSI health workforce
The quote you used in the first paragraph was already used in the beginning of your results. I would suggest to replace with a quote that supports the positive appraisal of AMS as this would flow nicely with the content of this paragraph. The negative interactions with regular services was already supported by numerous quotes while on the other hand you offered only one quote supporting the positive appraisal of AMS.

Family, peers and social networks
The third quote by Participant Q is not very clear "so I, didn't have leave to do anything..." Is this correct?

Discussion
Family networks
para 1, line 7: please put period after [36].

Access to primary health care
para 1, line 9: please put period after [40].
In the same statement: Does the reference 40 offers the evidence from all three countries you mentioned? The reference refers to the New Zealand experiment only. If this is the case, maybe you can include more references.

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.