Reviewer’s report

Title: Rural Health workers and their work environment: the role of inter-personal factors on job satisfaction of nurses in rural Papua New Guinea.

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An interesting study particularly for those working in remote areas or LMIC. The lit review mentions several articles related to job satisfaction of nurses working in remote areas. I would suggest that these are explored in more detail as currently the literature focuses on studies conducted in the urban environment.

Considering that opportunities for rural health workers are limited, the finding that nurses with working spouses have expressed increased intent to leave is interesting and needs further exploration.

The authors need to ensure that all abbreviations are explained in full on first use.

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.