Reviewer’s report

Title: Developing the specifications of an Open Angle Glaucoma screening intervention in the United Kingdom: A Delphi approach

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This is a well-written and well designed study with potential clinical importance. It is a much-improved paper.

I have a few minor suggestions that would I believe add to the manuscript

I would change the title to “….A Delphi approach utilizing an advisory panel”

I would submit the names and cities (countries) of those both who participated in the Delphi questionnaires and also those who were in the advisory panel

The authors did not consider cost and availability of testing equipment in their analysis and this should be mentioned.

Page 4, line : the authors should note that angle closure glaucoma, although not as common results in a disproportionate amount of blindness.

Page 4, line 5: this might be stated: “Currently we believe that most glaucoma is usually detected....” Do the authors have a reference for this? This statement itself is quite interesting.

Page 5, line1: This might be better if it said: “screening tests should be relatively simple, …and sufficiently selective and specific to distinguish those who....”

Page 5, bottom paragraph: how was the number of panelist chosen?

Page 12:, line 12: the authors should state that glaucoma MAY BE greater…

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