Reviewer's report

Title: Baseline assessment of adult and adolescent primary care delivery in Rwanda: an opportunity for quality improvement

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Reviewer: Mirkuzie Woldie

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Major Compulsory Revisions
1. The research question being addressed in the article has to be indicated at the end of the background.
2. The authors have to clearly show whether the eight health centers are the only health centers in the study district. If not indicate the criteria for selection of those HCs.
3. Why was the age of 13 years taken as the cut-off point? Please, elaborate on this issue in the study population section.
4. I strongly suggest that the authors have to sufficiently justify why they chose not to obtain consent from both the provider and the patient. Although no identifiers are reported it is not fair to intrude in the privacy of the patient and the provider without informed consent of both parties.

Minor Essential Revisions
5. Every time an abbreviation is introduced there is a need to indicate its full meaning. Please, do that for IMAI in the findings section of the abstract.
6. Please, provide at least a reference for this statement: “However, there is little agreement on what defines quality of care to adults and adolescents for many conditions managed in this primary care setting.” Which works indicate this disagreement?
7. On the first sentence of paragraph 2 of the background section then you have to correct the subject verb disagreement: “Little rigorous study” should be “Few rigorous studies…”
8. I suggest that the authors separately present the data collection procedures and data analysis sections.

Discretionary Revisions
None

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable
Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.