Reviewer’s report

Title: Lack of Access to Chemotherapy for Colon Cancer: Multiplicative Disadvantage of Being Extremely Poor, Inadequately Insured and African America

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This article examines a significant 3-way ethnicity by poverty by health insurance interaction effect on chemotherapy receipt. While the results are not surprising in that it demonstrates the additive effects of multiple disadvantage it is unusual in including a large sample of disadvantaged people with colon cancer. The paper is well written and the methods are sound.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

No to all questions.