Reviewer's report

Title: Pharmacies as providers of expanded health services for people who inject drugs: A review of the legal and policy framework in six countries

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This is a very relevant study in the context of realisation that high risk groups such as PWID coverage with prevention interventions is very low. Legal issues are always cited as a reason for not improving the services. This study mainly explores the legal issues and opportunities available for involving personnel like pharmacists to improve access and coverage for these groups.

The authors have mentioned that they have used mixed methods study. Quantitative and qualitative interviews have been conducted but details are limited in the manuscripts as to number of people involved in these discussions/interviews. Presenting qualitative study results could be improved with actual quotes from the participants. What were the major themes from these discussions and how it varied between different participants across countries.

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