Reviewer's report

Title: Factors in the Management of Feeding in Nursery School Children as perceived by their mothers in rural Bondo County, Kenya

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Major Compulsory Revisions

1. In my previous comments, I pointed out that it was unclear what the odds ratios presented in the results of the paper represented, i.e., it is not clear what outcome the authors have actually fitted in the logistic regression analyses. In their revision, the authors have indicated that odds ratios below 1 can be taken as 'good', while those exceeding 1 can be taken as 'bad'. However, this does not address my concern. It is paramount to understand what outcome the authors actually fitted: did they fit 'bad' feeding practice or 'good' feeding practice, or other outcome. If this is clearly indicated, then it is easier for readers to judge and understand the results. Please make this clear in the abstract as well as the analysis section of the paper.

2. As a follow-up to the above concerns, the title of Table 1 is not sufficient to describe the results in that table. The title of the table is "Demographic characteristics of the mothers", whereas the table contains these characteristics, their frequencies, and odds ratios. Therefore the title of that table should be refined to incorporate these features of the results and indicate what outcome was fitted to yield the odds ratios given in that table. As it is now, it is difficult to understand that table.

3. Also, Table 2 is not clear. The table says "Children eating habits as stratified by mother's age'. What the table however shows is mother's age by other family members or neighbours. There seems to be nothing about children's eating habits. Does the eating habit here mean the person the child eats with (neighbours, stepmothers, grandmothers, etc)? If this is the case, please modify the table title to clearly reflect this.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests