Reviewer's report

Title: Self-rated Health among Mayan Women participating in a Randomised Intervention Trial reducing Indoor Air Pollution in Guatemala

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The study reports on improvement in self-rated health among Mayan women following the use of an improved stove for cooking. It is not clear to what factors the improvement in health status of 24.2% of control women who did not use Plancha can be attributed. This also raises the issue of assessment of other confounding variables responsible for change in health which might have been there. For example, the education provided by the interviewer/others who provided Plancha could have influenced the results in favour of Plancha. It will be useful if such an analysis is added.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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.