Reviewer's report

Title: The decentralisation-centralisation dilemma: recruitment and distribution of health workers in remote districts of Tanzania

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Reviewer: Sarah Atkinson

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This paper has been revised and resubmitted for review.

Major compulsory revisions:
The two reviewers of the first version both commented on the overly descriptive presentation which lacked a suitable framework within which the material was positioned. In this second version, the authors have discussed in greater depth issues in decentralisation and some of the relationships of this to staff recruitment. Whilst not overly theoretical as such, this does give the paper sufficient shape now to warrant publication.

Minor essential revisions:
Other more minor comments have also been clearly dealt with. The paper has been professionally proof read for English style and now reads well.

I recommend the paper for publication.

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