Reviewer's report

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I have reviewed the manuscript and I will recommend it for publication without any changes. It is a good paper giving solutions to the restricted human resources in developing countries to offer counseling and testing to the population in particular in countries with high HIV prevalence. The results obtained have a good impact in HIV programmes and for the prevention of HIV in Africa.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field