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Reviewer's Report: Discretionary Revisions

# It would be good to have the total number of individuals (and or % of total staff) that were trained
# Provide information on the length and structure of the training
# The statement on page 8 - “….75% 0f the 10 health teams had achieved…” is confusing.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest 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 have consulted for MSH in the last five years.