Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Promoting universal financial protection: A case study of new management of community health insurance in Tanzania

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1. This case study would be more meaningful if it has been carried out either this year (2013) or later as the major implementation of the management responsibility for the CHF to NHIF was carried in 2011 even though the MOU was signed in June 2009.

2. As there are many measures to be undertaken during the 3 year period, and this needs time to show significant results, therefore the evaluation that has been highlighted in the paper has a number of short comings.

3. The sample size of 2 districts is too few considering there are more than 100 districts in Tanzania. What is more critical is the role of districts play a very significant role in CHF activities.

4. The study mentioned that the merger resulted in fraud prevention, but no evidence has been provided.

5. However some of these shortcomings of the study have been acknowledged by the authors.

4. While there are shortcomings or limitations in this study, it is good that the authors have mentioned them.

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

**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.