Reviewer's report

** Minor essential revisions **

The background part of the abstract is a little stilted ~ MDGs, then HIV and ITNs? Maybe drop the MDGs from this, and save for the main text.

Abstract: no need to define MUAC if you don't report it in the abstract

The results section of the abstract should specify "symptoms" of zoster and thrush, unless these were more definitive diagnoses?

Methods, second para: do you mean "loss to follow-up" or "non-response"?

Discussion ~ it would be nice to pick up the thread of MDGs in the discussion (since it was introduced earlier). Specifically, what are the implications of these findings for interventions to achieve the MDGs?

** Major compulsory revisions **

Results: the results current read as a simple description of proportions/means, etc. While these descriptive statistics are valuable, the authors could greatly enhance the paper by providing a more detailed analysis of the demographic characteristics associated with different reproductive health states. Multivariate analysis is not necessary (but would be nice), but the crude associations between different repro health measures and participant age, education, SES, etc, would be very interesting. This could be reflected in the tables, also.

The stratification in table 1 according to the availability of SES data is not particularly helpful, and could be mentioned briefly in the text. instead, why not provide a breakdown by participant age groups?

Table 2 is interesting, but could also be analysed by participant age/education levels, to give a better sense of the patterning of contraceptive use in the population

In figure 1, it would be useful to provide the N's for each gravidity category

What next?: Unable to decide on acceptance or rejection until the authors have responded to the major compulsory revisions
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.