Reviewer's report

Title: Mother-to-child transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus in a ten years period.

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- Major Compulsory Revisions

1. It would be interesting to visualize the distribution of cases in a historical series (to evaluate the different strategies year by year……);
2. Include use of AZT to newborn after “….97.2% received IV AZT....” in Results of Abstract;
3. to consider HAART in key words;
4. to consider the possibility of replacement of reference 1 by: (more current and specific…..)
5. It is very important and necessary to refer the approval of Research Ethics Committee in Methods....;
6. Reintroduce Figure 1.....the numbers do not appear....
7. In Results....in Characteristics of pregnant women...First paragraph, second sentence....of these 243 women, how many were already known to be positive?

- Minor Essential Revisions

1. Define all the acronyms.... IUGR, CAISM UNICAMP and others.....

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