Reviewer's report

**Title:** Determinants of male involvement in maternal and child health services in sub-Saharan Africa: a review.

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This article is a review covering an important area on determinants of positive male engagement in support of maternal and child health services, in particular as it relates to preventing mother to child transmission of HIV. The review is well researched and covers most publications that have come from sub-Saharan Africa in this area. It is well written.

The few comments I have are:-

1. In the abstract, among the three main determinants for male participation in PMTCT are "1.Socio-demographic factors such as lower level of education and lower income". But this is really a determinant of non-participation. This could be changed to: "Socio-demographic factors such as level of education and income status". And the levels are then given in the report.

2. Need for edits in the text, eg "et al" is written as "at all".

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

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.