Reviewer’s report

Title: Trends in antimicrobial management of gonorrhoea by general practitioners in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, between 2010 and 2016: A cross-sectional study

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Reviewer: Lisa McCarthy

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Thank you for considering and addressing the comments and suggestions. The impetus for the study, description of the methodology, and presentation of the results now more clearly lead the reader to the study's conclusion.

Two additional comments to consider:

a) Line 120 (clean version): Consider adding a reference regarding the HIV window period

b) Line 180 (clean version): Please specify the timeline on the 'whole period' as 12% is not reflective of the sum of combining the non-blue (i.e. non-cefotaxime or ceftriaxone) bars on the graph from 2010 to 2015

A few further suggestions to refine the writing mechanics include:

a) Line 59: add a comma after 'So far'

b) Line 63: add a plural possessive apostrophe to 'GPs' (i.e. studied GPs' prescriptions)

c) Line 70: move 'yet' to before 'been investigated'

d) Line 73: change 'nucelin' to 'nucleic'

e) Lines 74-75: combine the sentences by changing to "…alternative administration, such as GPs' experiences with…"

f) Line 89: change 'higher' to 'relatively high'

g) Line 120: consider using "HIV window period' instead of 'phase'

h) Line 208: add 'are' before 'early adopters'

i) Line 226: change 'higher' to 'high'
j) Line 227: consider changing to '…not representative of all areas of the nation' or '…not representative of all jurisdictions'

k) Line 228: change 'noticed' to 'noted'

l) Line 232: add a comma after 'conclusions'

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