Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Edward Goldstein

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This is a second referee report on the paper "Epidemiology of influenza in West Africa after the 2009 influenza A(H1N1) pandemic, 2010-2012." The paper is clearly written, and the referee thanks the authors for the additional analyses that they've performed. The only remaining suggestion if to augment the surveillance data by the counts of the number of patients seen by the participating medical practitioners before the first 4 (or 5) ILI cases were detected - this way one would obtain a crude estimate of the weekly percent ILI among all patients, which is an important component of influenza surveillance.

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