Reviewer’s report

Title: Knowledge and provision of misoprostol among pharmacy workers in Senegal: a cross sectional study

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Reviewer: Sam Rowlands

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This is a useful study of an important topic. Changes in pharmacy practice in relation to misoprostol in low-income countries could have large beneficial effects on maternal mortality and morbidity.

Would the authors please make it clearer in the Abstract and Methods section that this was a survey by face-to-face interview, not by self-administered questionnaire.

Presumably the interviews were entirely structured and there was no facility for interviewees to make their own spontaneous comments.

At line 114 would the authors mention the law in Senegal i.e Criminal Code of 1939 and Basic Law of 1965.

At line 182 the authors mention a response rate of 100%. This is most unusual in surveys and should be explained. How come no pharmacy workers declined to participate? Was there a financial or other incentive to participate?

At line 290 the authors should mention conscientious objection to abortion and abortifacient medicines among pharmacists and use a citation.
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