Reviewer’s report

Title: Spontaneous First Trimester Miscarriage Rates Per Woman Among Parous Women with 1 or more pregnancies of 24 weeks or more

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Definition of first trimester spontaneous miscarriage is missing. Is a pregnancy based on HCG or ultrasound? The miscarriage rates will be very different when reported by HCG compared to gestational sac or fetal heart.

Line 96, you stated 'Accurately completed computerized patient records have been in use at Hadassah Hospital Delivery Rooms since 2004'. Do you have reference for this statement, regarding the accuracy of the data?

Line 152, "Women had an average of 3.6 pregnancies". Do these pregnancies include miscarriages? Where is the data?

Line 162: "There were 4.5% smokers, 0.17% drug abusers, 0.2% alcohol abusers, 0.9% of women with a history of 1 or more ectopic pregnancies, 7% of women underwent some fertility treatment, documented as either Clomid, Pergonal, IVF, egg donation, sperm donation, or other.” How were these percentages calculated? There multiple appearances of same woman in your dataset. Do you have a demographics table?

Line 195: You stated: In this study, three or more miscarriages were not associated with infertility. Where is the data to support this statement? How is the infertility defined? If a woman has infertility, how can she have three or more miscarriages? Is this related to fertility treatment?

In Table 2, please footnote what is AB=0, P=0.

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