Reviewer’s report

Title: Influence of weight gain, according to Institute of Medicine 2009 recommendation, on spontaneous preterm delivery in twin pregnancies

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Reviewer: Margaret L. Holland

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While this topic remains important and interesting, I do not feel the revisions are sufficient to support publication at this time.

1. The introduction is choppy, with short paragraphs (1 to 2 sentences).

2. How common are induction and elective c-section in these births? It would be helpful to know how many births were excluded due to these reasons. If they are frequent, this may introduce bias.

3. The change to using pre-pregnancy weight from the first prenatal assessment (instead of self-report) is not clear in the manuscript. Because pre-pregnancy weight is a key variable, it should be explicitly stated how it was assessed.

4. The issue of assuming weight gain is linear was not addressed in the manuscript, and only nominally in the response to reviewers. It should at least be discussed as a limitation. It could also be addressed through sensitivity analyses.

Minor: There was some improvement in the writing in this revision, but many errors remain

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