Reviewer’s report

Title: Sexual Violence against Female Sex Workers in The Gambia: A cross-sectional examination of the associations between victimization and reproductive, sexual and mental health

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All points raised in my review of 24 July have been addressed in the current version of the article. I congratulate the authors on a clear and well crafted article reporting on an important study.

Major Compulsory Revisions - None

Minor Essential Revisions

1. There is a minor inconsistency in the description of how condom availability was measured. Lower condom availability is defined as "'no access" or "difficult access" or "somewhat difficult access'" (Study Measures, para. 2) but is elsewhere described as "'no', 'very difficult' or 'somewhat difficult' access to condoms' (Results, para. 3 & Table 2). I suggest that the authors may want to use either 'difficult' or 'very difficult' access consistently.

Discretionary Revisions

1. A close proof reading is likely to pick up some minor errors. For example, I assume that 'signally the potential need...' should read 'signalling the potential need...' (Study Measures, para. 2). Also, sometimes 'The Gambia' is capitalised and at other times 'the Gambia' is used.

2. Median number of children, and presumably also median age in years, do not need to be reported with a decimal place (Table 1).

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.