Reviewer's report

Title: Prevalence of Cardiovascular Risk Factors across Six African Immigrant Groups in Minnesota

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The study by Sewali et al. has improved. In general, the authors have addressed most of my concerns. However, they failed to provide data on hypertension and diabetes separately. It is crucial that authors provide additional data on hypertension and diabetes separately in table 2 to facilitate interpretation of the combine results in table 3.


There are several typos in many places e.g.:

Page 9, line 4: insert the word ‘were’ between ‘they’ and ‘nonsmokers’ in the following sentence ‘The prevalence of cigarette smoking in our sample was very low, with 92% reporting that they nonsmokers’

Page 9: insert ‘to’ between ‘likely’ and ‘report’ in the following sentence ‘However, they were more likely to report being diabetic or hypertensive and were more likely to be overweight or obese compared to Somalis’.

Page 10: replace the word ‘assessing’ with ‘accessing’ in the following sentence ‘This may point to language as a barrier for immigrants assessing freely available healthcare messages’.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests