Reviewer’s report

Title: The economic benefits of reducing intimate partner violence: an Australian example

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Glad to see this kind of work being done--so vital for our field!

Major compulsory revisions: none

Minor essential revisions:

1) On page 14, line 278, the authors write "This is jointly explained by the different reduction targets deemed feasible for each respective risk factor, the distribution of the population exposure to the risk factors across age groups and genders as well as the ideaese and injuries associated with risk factors." I recommend changing the word "genders" to sexes--as the authors refer almost exclusively to females and males (biological) and not women and men (social construct) in this section.

2.) On the same grounds, I would recommend the authors to change the language in the title of Table 1 substituting sex for "gender."

Discretionary revisions:

1.) Consider changing the title of the manuscript from "The economic benefits of reducing intimate partner violence: an Australian example" to "The health and economic benefits of reducing intimate partner violence: an Australian example." The focus is primarily on economic valuation, but the authors do address health gains (i.e. reduction in IPV-related disease/mortality/DALYs).

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest 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.