Reviewer’s report

Title: Public-non-governmental organisation partnerships for health: an exploratory study with case studies from recent Ghanaian experience

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This manuscript describes the partnership of public and private sectors in Ghana. The author presents a laudable effort to delineate the partnerships of public sectors and NGOs by interviewing relevant participants. This is an interesting and important study. However, I have some concerns with the manuscript in its present form which I have outlined below.

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2. The author should address more background details of interviewees. In addition, the author should distinguish words of public sectors from words of NGOs.

3. Line 32: It should be "5" rather than "4".

4. Line 61: It should be "MDG" rather than "MGD".

5. The author should address the limitations of this study, such as sampling.

6. References should be adjusted into the journal format. In addition, the author should recheck the references to make sure they are correct. For example, reference 13 is not complete.

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