Reviewer’s report

Title: Risk factors associated with abscess formation among patient with leg erysipelas (cellulitis) in sub-Saharan Africa: a multicenter study.

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while the authors do address the points made by the reviewers, I do not see that the paper has been changed appreciably. Since the paper is putting the delay in antibiotics forth as a major determinant of cellulitis, the authors must better characterize how this data is captured from the patient. It is not acceptable to state that there may be recall bias and leave it at that.

What questions are asked of the patient to determine when the infection began? Are they asked about pain, drainage, redness, etc? This would strengthen the paper significantly.

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