Reviewer’s report

Title: Dental Caries Status of Lisu Preschool Children in Yunnan Province, China: A Cross-Sectional Study

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Thank you very much for inviting me to review this manuscript. This manuscript is generally well-prepared. However, there are some issues needed to be addressed before it can be published.

My suggestions are as follows:

1. Delete 'and work' in Ln 48;

2. Convert RMB into USD in Ln 83 so that we can compare with the situation of other parts of world

3. Provide the information of ratio of population distribution (8:1) in the method (multistage sampling method).

4. Add 'family monthly income' in Ln 129.

5. Revise the sentence in Ln 143. "The VPI not only record the status of both buccal and palatal surfaces."

6. Revise the sentence in Ln 173. The figure of boys is unclear. Did the boys consist 55% of the study population? Or 55% of the kids with dental caries were boys?

7. Add discussion on the limitations in this study?

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