Reviewer’s report

Title: What Women Say about their Dysmenorrhea: A Qualitative Thematic Analysis

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Reviewer: Matthew Hopkins

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Thank you for allowing me to review this interesting manuscript. I applaud the authors for looking at this common clinical complaint in a qualitative, (and often overlooked) fashion. In general I feel the manuscript requires some condensation and editing. The methods (Data Collection) as written were too long and somewhat difficult to follow. In general the methods appear appropriate and the data support the conclusions drawn by the authors.

I do have one area of concern/comment. In conducting survey research it is important to investigate whether the responders and non-responders are similar/different. The authors are able to give us some very basic demographics. Do you have the data to expand this section? Specifically are the groups similar or different with respect to the quantitative aspects of their disease (dysmenorrhea)? Pain scores, medication use, surgeries, etc.

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Yes

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