Reviewer's report

Title: Interprofessional Impressions among Nursing and Pharmacy Students: A Qualitative Study to Inform Interprofessional Education Initiatives

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This paper is an important contribution to the Interprofessional learning literature. I was interested in the fact that it looked at the attitudes and perceptions from students in the Middle East. I feel the Introduction needs to explain this context in more detail (see Major Compulsory revisions).

Major Compulsory Revisions

1) The Method section does not include enough detail on the questions and how they were developed. It would be useful to include a table listing the questions and also including references to the other interdisciplinary assessment articles used in their development.

2) The Method section describes interviews and focus groups. In the first sentence of the Results section 4 facilitated discussions are tabled. Were there any individual interviews? Table 1 does not distinguish between interviews and focus groups. The methods section needs more detail to clarify this.

3) In the Methods, Paragraph 1 Sentence 6, includes "purposeful sampling". Can you please expand on how this was done?

4) The Introduction would be stronger with a clear research question. For example, was the major aim of the study to determine attitudes of the two professions because they were Middle East students?

Minor Essential Revisions

1) Abstract. Results (Line 56).
Change: "patient benefits to shared care" to "patient benefits of shared care"

Discretionary Revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance 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