Reviewer’s report

Title: Conscientious objection to abortion, the law and its implementation in Victoria, Australia: perspectives of abortion service providers

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Reviewer: Gry Wester

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This is a very good paper that makes a very valuable contribution to the literature on conscientious objection. Empirical work on the implementation of conscientious objection is much needed, and this qualitative study provides some important and interesting findings.

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One very minor comment: On page 12 it says 'eighteen participants' but elsewhere in the manuscript the number of participants is nineteen.

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