Reviewer's report

Title: The psychology of "cure" - unique challenges to consent processes in HIV cure research in South Africa

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Reviewer: Catherine Slack

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Dear Editors

Thank you for the opportunity to review the revised manuscript.

The authors should correct the following minor errors:

- Add "s" to certain stakeholder groups in the Table of respondents.
- Delete "s" from certain of the identifiers in the results section.
- Add the word "representatives" to the sentence - "This paper represents the views of 28 other HIV stakeholder-groups".
- Clarify the following sentence - "The total sample for this project included 83 stakeholders who were contacted telephonically or via email. Of these, 42 agreed to be interviewed while 15 declined or did not respond to a request for an interview". Perhaps this should read "The total sample for this project included 83 stakeholders who were contacted telephonically or via email. Of these, 42 agreed to be interviewed while 15 declined and 26 did not respond to a request for an interview"? I am not sure if my edit is correct but the numbers do not yet add up.

Best wishes, Cathy

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