Reviewer’s report

Title: Routine health information system utilization and factors associated thereof among health workers at government health institutions in East Gojjam Zone, Northwest Ethiopia

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1. In literature review it is mentioned that many decisions are taken without evidence in Ethiopia. However the cause of such inefficient procedure can be mentioned. What are the politics behind this inefficient practice can be discussed to understand the structural problems.

2. There is no mention of any government or private guideline for the utilization of data by health workers particularly in decision making. It is assumed that the health workers are supposed to take decisions based on the data. Therefore, at least mention the guideline for utilization of data by workers according to the employer or hospital before evaluating them for responsible decision making.

3. Some of the qualitative information regarding the action taken by higher authority for non-compliance of health workers may be provided for functionality of the HIS.

4. What are the motivating factors for good utilization of HIS among the nearly 50% health workers can be find out to understand the positive aspects of organization.

5. Some more rates and ratios can be provided to enhance the quality of article from the exiting data set.

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