Reviewer's report

Title: A Study of the Rapid Scale-up of a High-Volume Medical Male Circumcision Site, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, 2010-2013

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Reviewer: Marc Goldstein

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Overall response: This article describes a scale-up program for male circumcision in South Africa. There are many techniques of circumcision, including recently published articles on circumcision devises designed to facilitate high volume circumcision with reduction in complications and the need for surgically-trained personnel. The surgical techniques employed need to be described. Mention of new circumcision devices and rates of complication should be included in the discussion.

Major compulsory revisions:

Line 153: the IRB approval for this project was from Tulane University, however none of the authors is listed from this institution. Please explain. Technically, they cannot use this IRB without any authors or professional involvement from Tulane University. This is a serious issue.

Essential Revisions:

Lines 123 - 138: more details are needed for their MC training
What kind of local anesthesia?
Describe surgical MC technique or techniques
How was customer satisfaction assessed?

How was productivity measured?

Lines 179 - 180: please state the adverse effects seen as well as their treatment course. Why did they have no long-term follow-up (> 7 days)? Please explain why.

How did they conclude only 2% AE at Asiphile clinic?

How did they evaluate AE in this study? Explain with more details.

Line 185: How did this MC training model work for their course?

Minor Revisions:

1. Sentence starting at line 77 is long and a little confusion - consider revising
and breaking into two sentences.

2. Sentence starting at line 96 is also long and a little confusing - consider revising and breaking into two sentences.

**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