Reviewer's report

Title: Maternal Health Care Usage among Married Women in Hossaina, Ethiopia

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Guidelines

1. Is the question posed by the authors well defined?
   Yes
2. Are the methods appropriate and well described?
   No, it is vague
3. Are the data sound?
   Yes
4. Do the figures appear to be genuine, i.e. without evidence of manipulation?
   Yes
5. Does the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition?
   Yes
6. Are the discussion and conclusions well balanced and adequately supported by the data?
   Discussion, yes but not conclusion.
7. Are limitations of the work clearly stated?
   No
8. Do the authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished?
   Yes, nevertheless, some sentences need more references.
9. Do the title and abstract accurately convey what has been found?
10. Is the writing acceptable?
    Need proofreading for grammatical and typo errors correction

In the abstract, the method section is not clear. Authors write that “We conducted community based cross-sectional study with qualitative inquiry from …” Nevertheless, in findings only quantitative results are given. Line 37, it is better to first to explain ANC abbreviation and then you can use it in next line. Line 47, sentence is incomplete.
Line 60, sentence is incomplete.
Line 70, EDHS is not mentioned earlier.
Line 72, reference is needed.
Line 77, more evidence is needed.
Line 112, sentence is vague.
Line 120, how many FGDs and why?
Line 124 is not clear.
Line 154: qualitative analysis needs more explanation.
Also explain about independent variables description included in the analysis.
259-261, there are some repetition.
265-268 Study limitation should be describe at the end of discussion, not here.
There are not valid limitations. As many studies on healthcare utilization,
included the sample of women who delivered at least one women in the last five
years preceding the survey.
Line 345, sentence is vague.
Figure numbers are not mentioned.

Decision
Major Compulsory Revisions (which the author must respond to before a
decision on publication can be reached)

Major compulsory revision

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely
related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being
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**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests