Reviewer's report

**Title:** Service use, unmet needs, and barriers to services among adolescents and young adults with autism spectrum disorder in Poland

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**Reviewer:** Angela Jury

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The work is a useful examining an important issue for people with ASD, and considers other key factors.

To aid the reader and clearer messaging I would recommend editing to improve clarity and succinctness, and reducing the inclusion of unnecessary detail. The methods section in particular needs to be more succinct and include relevant information. A clear description of the Polish Autism Survey - what type of survey it is, who was included and how it was distributed is required as it could be misinterpreted as a population survey. Limitations of this need to be included.

I would suggest including some of the results in tables to improve succinctness, and considering how the samples are described to aid the reader.

Some additional contextual information would be useful to aid interpretation of the results and their relevance to Poland.

Recommendations have been made to consider the use of more people centred language, and avoid the use of diagnostic labelling of people where possible.
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