Reviewer's report

Title: Cross sectional study on attitudes of Serbian mothers with preschool children: should a HIV positive female teacher be allowed to continue teaching in school?

Version: 3
Date: 25 June 2015

Reviewer: Abraham Mukolo

Reviewer's report:

Minor Essential:

Lines 389-399 (Especially Lines 397-399): While the point being made about the link between stigmatization and depression (via the stress-coping process) is important and should be explored, drawing the link based on this study is rather a stretch. At best one could say that if the stigma-induced distress was to exceed one's coping ability, then the observed stigmatizing attitudes could lead to adverse psychological outcomes. Such a process needs to be further investigated, particularly among women in Serbia.

line 444 (p.21). I'm not convinced that this conclusion should be drawn from this study. I suggest striking this out --- as it is an unnecessary distraction.

Also see attached manuscript with suggested changes in 'sticky notes' form.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests