Reviewer’s report

Title: Community-based surveillance of unaccompanied and separated children in drought-affected northern Ethiopia

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I congratulate the authors on this revision which has met the concerns raised in prior review. My only comment for minor revision is the use of the word 'consistency' in the results section on frequency (which confuses this measure with the measures of accuracy and consistency):

Although more than half of the 29 focal points had "good" [change 'consistency of sending a correct' to 'frequency of sending a'] message (at least 75% of the weeks) over the six-month study period, only 21[insert .]4% met the "high" level of [change 'consistency' to 'frequency'], sending a message 90% of the weeks or more.

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