Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Kassoum Kayentao

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I am happy with the authors' responses. However, the authors did not justify why fixed or random effect was used. Please read below:

Random effect model was suggested for the analysis. However fixed effect was used in some results. Can the authors explain and justify why random effects models are used for some analysis and fixed-effects models for other?

Authors’ response: We thank the reviewer for his comment. As we mentioned in our manuscript, random effect model was used for main analyses due to potential differences between study populations and interventions among RCTs. Fixed effect model was used within sensitivity analysis.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I don’t have any conflict of interest