Reviewer’s report

Title: INFANTS WITH MICROCEPHALY DUE TO ZIKA VIRUS EXPOSURE: NUTRITIONAL STATUS AND FOOD PRACTICES

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Syntax and grammar errors were noted; however, the focus of my review was for the scientific content. The authors set out to write a descriptive study which is used to describe characteristics of a population. Although there was no sample size calculation for this study and the number is small, it is an initial characterization of this population. Moreover, in MESH searching Zika virus and nutritional status, it yields no results in PubMed and therefore, this is a novel study.

The authors appropriately acknowledge the limitation of a 24-hour food recall questionnaire and the issues with using this to generalize nutritional practices. That being said this is a commonly used tool in the literature. Given small sample size, it is appropriate to use Fisher exact testing.

The authors explained the rational for the tools used. On occasion, sentences imply an observation or correlation which one cannot determine in this type of study.

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