Reviewer’s report

Title: Perspectives and Experiences of Community Health Workers in Brazilian Primary Care Centers Using m-Health Tools in Home Visits with Community Members

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This is a well-written paper on the experiences and expectations of community health workers' (CHWs') working with m-health tools in their outreach activities with community members.

The authors conclude that the m-tools have a great potential in communities residing in poorly developed areas but these tools must be designed and implemented thoughtfully. Technical barriers and potential social barriers must be anticipated and addressed to maximize their efficiency and successful adoption. CHW input on the design of the tool should be sought.

Limits of the study are also mentioned. Although the representative opinions listed in tables 2-5 are unquestionably relevant qualitative nature is a disadvantage of this study (in its present form).

In order to rank pros and cons it would be useful to quantify data in some ways, e.g.,

- how many out of the 57 interviewed CHWs shared the opinions on Geohealth listed in tables 2-5?

- or instead: could they (or the authors) provide grades or scores on each items mentioned.

Was there any association between parameters of the CHWs (especially age and duration of Geohealth use) and the seriousness of their opinion?

From side of the governmental or health authorities which of the suggested drawbacks can be expected to change in reality?

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