Reviewer's report

Title: The current situation of human resources for health in the province of Cabinda in Angola: Is it a limitation to provide universal access to healthcare?

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This paper still needs significant editing of its English. In many, many places the English could be improved. The Discussion and Conclusion sections especially need better editing for use of English. In my first review, I noted that a more recent source on HRH need estimates could be referenced instead of the 2006 WHR. That comment still holds. I think I also mentioned that there is nothing in the article about the disease burden and population needs in Cabinda province. Maybe the number and type of health workers currently available are sufficient for the needs of this population.

Generally, this analysis touches somewhat superficially on many different aspects of the HRH situation in this location. It would perhaps be better to go into more depth on one issue in particular and make some suggestions for improvement actions. Also, simply referencing the experience of Zambia very superficially is not sufficient as an example of a solution to the problems in Cabinda. The Zambia case had it's pros and cons, and those should be taken into consideration and discussed in the Cabinda context.

For these reasons, I'm sorry that I cannot recommend this submission for publication or further revision.

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