Reviewer’s report

Title: 'Practice so that that skill does not disappear': Mixed methods evaluation of simulator based learning for midwives in Uganda

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Reviewer: Grace Namaganda

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I found your article very insightful with a clear elaboration of the practical challenges experienced in implementing in-service training at the facility. One of the practical issues I thought about while reviewing the article which could be a barrier is the boredom associated with doing the simulation again and again. Is there a way the simulation can be at different levels so that as one becomes proficient, they move to another level, or is it possible to reduce the expected frequency of the simulations over time?

Linking the simulation sessions to continued professional development would be a significant enabling factor which would also help in mitigating other barriers like expecting compensation. I also think the discussion would be further strengthened by discussing the implications of the results to future programing of a similar intervention - given findings from the study, what would one do to improve impact?

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