Reviewer's report

Title: Being safe, feeling safe and stigmatizing attitude among primary health care staff in providing Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis care in Bantul District, Yogyakarta Province, Indonesia

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Dear Authors,

Thank you for a very interesting paper, which reported the knowledge and attitude of health professionals when conducting MDR-TB care. The authors showed a good intention to present an in-depth analysis on the level of health professional occupational safety services especially for those who are in contact with MDR-TB patients in primary health care. In addition, the study highlighted a major barrier to quality care. The work was basically well constructed. Some issues below require the author(s)' attention and revision:

1. The introduction for this paper is well written and clearly sets out an aim for the research. It would be valuable to include a null hypothesis for further clarity.

2. On the Methods and Materials, a reference should be used for the DOT as some readers may not be familiar with it and wanted to read its reference article.

3. In M & M section, the description is satisfactory. It wasn't entirely clear which national infection control guidelines were used in constructing the survey, reference is needed.

4. The author(s) mentioned that "There are 27 PHCs located in 17 sub-districts of Bantul". However, only 24 PHCs were reported in the analysis.

5. The authors mentioned that "Seven of 27 PHCs have implemented DOT". The authors should clarify the number of participated who were recruited from the PHC that provides DOT and provided an analysis based on this variable. As this information might have an effect on the level of knowledge and attitude/stigma of the health workers toward infection control protocols.
6. In the results, the authors should mention the power of the sample size.

7. From line 154 - 165, academic style rephrasing of this section is recommended. Please avoid direct speech sentences?

8. Table 4, please re-phrase the title to clearly explain the contents.

9. Re-drafting considerably your discussion and conclusions sections, which at present are under-developed with regards to the implications. I also suggest that the authors avoid generalization of the results.

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