Reviewer’s report

Title: Intersectionality and global health leadership: parity is not enough

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Dear Authors,

Thanks for this revised article. I appreciate the intersectionality component and the focus on gender balanced global health leadership and the role of women.

I will not return to earlier amendments made in a first version by authors but have one considerable remark;

While the authors make their point, the case for:

"We recommend further studies in global, national and sub-national levels to be conducted on health systems' leadership, by incorporating an explicit intersectionality lens..."

this actually undermines their argument as there are actually many practical policy issues that could be implemented already and concretely to overcome gender inequality in health leadership for which no additional research is required. These have both been addressed in feminist scholar literature as well as in global health research.

I would like hence to see a short paragraph explaining few concrete policy and practice steps that could already be addressed now at international and national level to further gender equitable global health leadership.

Perhaps one or two of the future "research needs" recommendations can be amended in this form?

Hope this reflection can be included.

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