Reviewer’s report

Title: Evaluation of the maternal deaths surveillance and response system at the health district level in Guinea in 2017 through digital communication tools

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This is a very important study that could benefit from better discussion and succinct presentation of methodology and findings.

The authors need to better set the scene, describe the standard, cut out discussions not relevant to the subject, improve the flow of the information linking it to the MDSR process.

In most instances one is not clear whether identification and notification is done at facility or District level, if there are MDSR committees at facility and at District level.

Analysis on how the District team has impacted or can impact MDSR process is unclear. The online discussion is not really well linked to the quantitative data hence diluting the value of the qualitative data.

The authors need to rework this and make it more succinct since they have all the information to make an excellent paper.

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