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Major comments that require compulsory revisions

Introduction:

* The study is not presented well and does not add much to the literature but is important from the point of having data which can be improved upon. The authors better to refine the research gap by using update data.

* The description of Line 29-37 paragraph is true in Ethiopia context? show evidences

Methods

* Method Concepts are not well explained,

* The authors do not describe the inclusion and exclusion criteria; How to select?

* Sample size and sampling procedures: All University of Gondar regular undergraduate students during data collection were included in the study. What this paragraph indicates? If you include all students, why you determined the sample size

* Health stream students responding well about the different type of STI, BUT non health stream students are not well good, so how to manage such cases
* The authors do not describe the study collection tools

* The study variables (independent and dependent) are not defined and it not clear how they were measured.

* The author does not explain how they checked for multicollinearity

* The author mentions use of a bivariate analysis approach, but no further explanation on which type of bivariate was employed

Discussion and conclusion

* It is quite poor and repeats a lot of known facts without making any point as to how this current study contributes to the discussion. The discussion section does not indicate the new (addition of) knowledge that has been generated by this study. What are the innovative ideas, for scale up through the public health system? formulate clear what is innovating in the study.

Minor revisions (essential)

There are several language mistakes that may necessitate the paper to be proofread before publication.

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