Reviewer’s report

Title: Domestic violence related disclosure among women and girls in Ethiopia: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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The manuscript represents an interesting and useful review of papers related to DV in Ethiopia. It might even be of interested to researchers from other countries of the region to understand and describe the phenomenon. The manuscript is clearly organised and focuses on the review of prevalence and barriers. However, some aspects must be considered: a) the quality of English in general, b) typos and punctuations, c) some unreferenced statements, d) the depth of the discussion.

Here are some specific things to consider (just as examples):

Abstract: PubMed does not include a hifen

The final recommendation in the abstract could be replaced with a more specific statement: "The finding of this study suggests the need of strengthening the empowerment women and girls' to straggle with traditional belief; attitude, practice and fear associated with domestic violence related disclosure.

Page 4, line 34: spelling mistake: straggle

P. 5 l 8: no comma between subject and verb

P. 5 L. 8: referring to the most common problem. This requires a reference and its grandiloquent. I suggest to eliminate this statement.

P.5 L 32: "women's accept justified wife beating and partner alcohol use associated with DV". Acceptance?
P. 6 L 48. "No time and language restrictions during the search strategy" Verb?

In the section Definition of concepts, there are no references. It would clarify the section if it were mentioned if the authors support this definitions in literature or they developed the concepts themselves.

P. 10 L 31: no comma between subject and verb

P. 13 L. 26: "this study need to evaluate" this study NEEDS

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