Reviewer’s report

Title: Costs of implementing and sustaining enhanced collaborative care programs involving community partners

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Thank you for submitting your article. Assessing the costs of implementation is useful and important to share. Your edits responding to the comments from your last submission are clear. I have some minor clarifying questions mainly regarding your methodology.

Methods:

-The program was implemented for 2 years but the costs of care were collected for only 1 month of implementation during the sustainment period? Please explain why costs of care were collected only for 1 month after implementation and not during.

-It seems the time/value of the family partners are not included in the costs. Is this correct? If so, please explain why

-You mention the varying implementation periods for each site (line 128). Could this information be added to Table 3 for each site? Do the hours and costs align with the length of implementation for the sites? This is not mentioned as a reason for why they vary so much across sites.

Results

-This sentence could be more clear: Line 182: "Three sites offered a majority of care via home visits through CBO staff from a health education outreach organization…" I suggest something like: Three other sites offered a majority of care via the following: home visit through XX, home visit psychotherapy, and a health and human services agency.. "

-Line 186- Remove "The"

-In the section starting on line 301 - No explanation is given for why partnerships ended or dissolved.

-Is low enrollment the norm or specifically for this program? Any reasons for the low enrollment?
-Line 368 - would you only report on the sites that continued their community partnerships? The ones that dropped off should be addressed regarding sustainability challenges.

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