Reviewer’s report

Title: Effects of introducing routinely ultrasound scanning during Ante Natal Care (ANC) clinics on number of visits of ANC and facility delivery: A cohort study

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I have read your manuscript and I have found it very interesting. It seems that you are on track to increase the number of prenatal visits.

Nevertheless, I have to make some comments:

Major Compulsory Revisions

1. As you take only one of the six rural districts of the Coast Region of Tanzania, please provide some documentation about the equivalence, in a socio-demographic perspective, of the six districts.

2. You write: “Ten health facilities (and hence ten communities within catchment areas of these facilities) were selected of which five were used as intervention facilities while the remaining five were used as control facilities”. Please provide a table that compares the data of these two populations (intervention vs control) to see if there are some differences between them.

Minor Essential Revisions

1. In the Methods section, page 2, please provide information about the tools that were used to collect data (validated or constructed questionnaires, etc.).

2. In the Methods section, page 2, you write that you evaluated the project effect on quality of care on maternal and neonatal health among users: no result addresses these evaluations. Please be consistent and delete this part from the Methods section or add some results, in the appropriate section, about these evaluations.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.