Reviewer's report

Title: Determinants of appropriate complementary feeding practice among mothers having children 6-23 months of age in rural Damot Sore district, Southern Ethiopia; a community based cross sectional study

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1. In the "Study design, population and sampling" section, description of sample size was not correct. Power is not used in this type survey study.

2. The second stage of "gots" selection was unclear. How many gots were there in each kebeles? How were study subjects selected?

3. The definition of "timely introduction of complementary feeding" was not consistent with WHO infant and young child feeding indicator. It is difficult to recall the time of introducing solid food, especially when children get older (e.g. 12-23 months). Recall bias may occur. It is recommended that WHO indicator is used instead.

4. Appropriate complementary feeding practice is not a standard indicator. It may be useful to separate the time of introducing complementary foods from quality of complementary foods.

5. Some editorial revision would be needed (e.g. 2 decimal points of OR would be enough). Some typos are needed to be corrected (e.g. OR of 1771).
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