

Review of: "Corruption in the medical field: Facts from Nigeria"

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The work is exciting and insightful, but several significant issues need attention. The introduction should clearly state the problem of medical corruption in Nigeria's public health governance crisis. It would be helpful if the authors could discuss the impact of COVID-19 on medical corruption, identify new patterns, and categorise different types (analytical mapping of the problems and challenges). An analytical framework could show the relationship between the public health crisis, the public policy delivery system, the medical regulatory framework, the vulnerable Nigerian population, accessibility barriers to subsidised health, and how past and present medical corruption undermines healthcare governance in Nigeria. It would also be valuable to include information about the Sustainable Development Goals, such as SDG 3 and SDG 16, and Nigeria's progress towards these goals. This would help readers from different backgrounds understand the transdisciplinary alignment. While the history of medical policy and practices is valuable, it should be integrated into a more concise analytical framework that will be easier for "glocal" readers to understand. Additionally, it would be interesting to compare medical corruption and healthcare crises during COVID-19, the Ebola outbreak, and during and after military rule since 1999 throughout the modern history of Nigeria since independence.