

Review of: "Factors influencing women's decision choosing a public or private health facility for tuberculosis (TB) services: An analysis of Nepal demographic and health survey data 2016"

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Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.

Thank you for the good work. I have read your paper with great interest and admiration. You have presented an intriguing and thought-provoking argument, and I am impressed with the amount of effort and research you have put into this.

Please my comments below.

The authors should endeavor to clarify the TB knowledge assessment tool mentioned in the section on independent variables, including whether it is a standard tool and citing the authority.

They should also make an effort to explain the scoring and grading criteria used to categorize women's knowledge levels, including if it is a standard grading criterion and citing the authority, as well as any prior usage.

On Page 8/16, a number of sentences at the top of the page appear to be unconnected to any paragraph or section.

Authors should link the sentences to the correct section and paragraph.

The section on theoretical framework is missing. What theory underpins the research? Identify an appropriate theory to serve as the foundation for this research. For instance, structural theory or any other appropriate theory. The identified theory would also guide and strengthen the discussion of findings.

The authors should elaborate more on how the DHS sampled participants from the three zones (Mountain, Hill, and Terai).

Some sub-sections in the Preliminary sections are missing: funding information and data and materials availability.

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In the Ethics approval section, the authors could also state that:..... the study was guided by secondary data usage standards, such as maintaining de-identified data, ensuring that the results of the analysis do not re-identify participants, and using the data does not cause any damage or distress. Refer to <https://databigandsmall.com/2015/10/18/research-ethics-in-secondary-data-what-issues/>.

