

## Review of: "Discussing Female Genital Mutilation by youth health care professionals in the Netherlands: facilitators and barriers"

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This is an interesting study addressing 'Female Genital Mutilation' which is a human rights issue affecting girl children and women worldwide. At the same time, it highlights the difficulties faced by young health care professionals in detecting and reporting cases of FGM. The Manuscript will definitely prove to be useful for readers and health care professionals, thereby making a valuable contribution to qualitative research in the field of health care.

However, there are certain shortcomings that are needed to be addressed:

The sample size of YHCP is very small to formulate generalization. Moreover, the criteria for the selection of the participants needs to be included.

There is no mention about the success or failure rate of YHCP's in preventing FGM, and analysis of statistical data.

The discussion section should be a much more elaborate mentioning the outputs of the study and its recommendations.

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