

# Review of: "Will You Tell? Factors Influencing Peer Reporting of Illicit Substance Use: A Mixed-Methods Study"

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The article is relatively original, and the data collected are relevant. However, it seems to me that several elements need to be modified. First of all, in terms of form, a paragraph must be composed of several sentences. On page 2, in the 3rd paragraph, there is an extra parenthesis.

It is also necessary to clarify certain elements of definition, in particular concerning psychoactive substances. Indeed, I do not understand the usefulness of the 2nd paragraph of page 2; it seems that you are contrasting legal drugs and psychoactive substances, while legal drugs are psychoactive substances. There are other ways to define psychoactive substances, and they can be done more concisely. The use of the term "hard drug" on p. 4 is also problematic, as the distinction between hard drugs and soft drugs is not scientifically effective.

You also need to better frame the subject and the method on a theoretical level. On p. 4, when you say "authors did not assume any pre-conceived theoretical basis at the outset," do you mean that you have an inductive approach? Because if this is the case, this does not imply that no theoretical basis has been mobilized.

Sometimes you may need to show more nuance and perspective. For example, on page 2, in the penultimate paragraph, one might wonder if having a user entourage when one uses drugs oneself is really a tendency specific to young adults only, or to all drug users? (And to humans in general, with a tendency towards homogeneity.)

You should explore more some elements from the literature, such as the concepts of stigma with Erving Goffman, relational health surveillance, and hidden drug users - see Miller's or Griffiths's works. Also, we would like to know if correlations can be made between the sociodemographic characteristics of the participants and the type of people to whom people would turn to warn of a third party's drug use, for example. It should also be good to provide more elements on the context of drug policy in Nigeria,