

Review of: "Exploring Clinicians' Experiences of Accessing Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis Drug Susceptibility Testing Services from Health Centers in Blantyre"

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Very interesting implementation research; however, we could improve the quality of this manuscript through some suggestions

Abstract

- In the Background, please explain what the gaps were in access to DST testing by the clinicians?
- Please declare the objectives more clearly. What were the specific experiences about?
- In methods, please give the resume of the pointed focus for the interviews and questionnaires.
- What is the role of 'Tuberculosis clinical officers at the health centres'? Please complete the sentences.
- In findings, please briefly explain the main result that causes the delayed access in number or %.
- The results, interpretation, and conclusions did not have in-line results; please be more detailed and consistent.

Introduction

- The introduction part is too long, and most of it does not have a relationship with the gap in access to DST testing.
Please explain more detail about how the existing conditions were regarding DST access in the research site. Maybe in the areas of input, process, and output, so they will be more systematic.

Methods

- Please describe the specific time, maybe in the name of month and year
- The reason for the sample size is not clear; please explain more
- Please explain about the health centres. Which health centres, for example, hospitals, clinics, or others?
- Please describe the specific number of ethical considerations for this research

Results

- Please explain about MSCE
- Maybe the thematic activities of DST access should be explained first in the methods section
- Please explain 'How many in %,' not only write 'the; most participants'
- In 1.3, the figure should be described as a bar diagram, not a line diagram

- For the figure about the challenges, different colours should be given for each bar

Discussion

- I think the discussions were good explanations
- Please add the limitation that the research did not include quantitative data collection.

Conclusion

Well-explained.

Overall, we can accept after the revision.