

# Review of: "Decolonisation of Health in East Africa: Opinion Piece"

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Thank for the opportunity to review the article.

Decolonisation of health has been an important topic, and this opinion piece is of great value. The opinion piece succeeds in posing the health care strategies of colonial UK and the ramifications on health care in East Africa. Challenges such as changing health care priorities, academic and publications challenges are well identified. The positioning of future priorities are also notable.

Perhaps clarity on what is meant by decolonisation of health for this opinion piece is necessary as it touches on health care challenges, funding, academic challenges, and publication issues amongst others. The term decolonisation has specific implications for strategies and how services should be transformed. Further, the strategies for indigenising health care should be considered. Each country has indigenous medicine. Therefore, decolonisation goes beyond having indigenous doctors explaining medicine in native dialects. The term health is broadly applied in the piece. Here a focus of the piece is suggested. In fact all the issues raised are valid but could possibly stand as opinion pieces on it own. If the opinion piece remains as is, a change of title is perhaps required, a suggestion would be 'Reflection on health in East Africa', etc.

Consideration of the country's health care policy is important especially considering health in all policy. What transformative health care practices have been evident in the country? Has there been means to reengineer the primary health care sector? What about social determinants of health? These are perhaps some valid avenues to consider.