

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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Feedback to the manuscript

Title: 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

I congratulate the author for this study making useful the existing national data. The abstract is written in the way it gives useful information for the paper.

Introduction

I appreciate how the introduction discuss previous evidence related to TB services seeking behavior. Searched evidences informed the gap between services provided in public versus private health facilities and the issue related to data reporting by the private health facilities. The introduction shows some barriers impeding access to heath services for Nepali women but also gives evidence on factors influencing health seeking behavior and choosing a health facility.

Given all the above, I would like to know why the author targeted women only. Even though women generally are known to face sociocultural barriers, it is not clear why women were targeted when it comes to decision in choosing a public or private health facility for tuberculosis (TB) services.

Materials and methods

The author gave a detailed and clear methodology which gives a picture of the study conduct and is digestible for a reader. It is obvious that the Nepal Demographic and Health Survey (NDHS) 2016 have been used but it is not clarified how accessible is the NDHS. Is it easy in terms of accessibility to get data from the survey database or any special authorization is need before conducting any study using the survey data?

Results: results are well report and informative.

Discussion I suggest that the author conduct an in-depth search for more evidence to discuss the findings of this study.

Congratulations to the authors!

