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The authors designed a qualitative study to investigate the perceptions of miscarriage for the women in Malawi. In general, this is a good study. However, there are still some concerns.

1. The qualitative study is designed in the study. The sample size of the study is 30. Is there the limitations of sample size regarding to the qualitative study, which could reach the requested aims? The authors need to demonstrate this points in the text.

2. In the study, the referred papers only included the papers published before the year of 2011. Actually, in recent 3 years, there are several published papers investigating the topics of "Miscarriage" using the qualitative model. The authors should refer these papers in the section of "Discussion". For example: "One of those areas that people avoid" a qualitative study of implementation in miscarriage BMC Health Serv Res. 2013 Apr 3;13:123.

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