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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	The Introduction seems poorly focused. The objective of the study was uptake rate for tetanus toxoid hence a critical review of the role of immunisation in the control of neonatal tetanus should form the bulk of the introduction rather than a general overview of tetanus. For example, the justification for the study was not clearly delineated. The design of the study is basically flawed. Though, a retrospective study, data management was weakly done. Uptake rate will be a better entity rather than coverage rate. If coverage rate was determined using the "target population" as the denominator, how was the target population derived in a hospital-based study? What is the difference between summary forms and registers? The results are grossly inadequately presented. The diagrams used to present the results are not explanatory enough. for example, what was the basis for analysing pregnant and non-pregnant women separately in Figure 1? What was the basis for comparison DPT uptake in children with TT uptake in women?	CORRECTION TAKEN AND AFFECTED
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