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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	Abstract line 12 first sentence is not clear. Something is missing in the last sentence of result under abstract. Introduction: this statement need to be referenced "While the IMR for the entire world is 41 per 1000 live births, it is 5 for more developed countries, 67 for Africa, 72 for sub-Sahara Africa, 76 for West Africa and 77 for Nigeria. try and reconcile that of Nigeria, is it 75 or 77. Page 62, early initiation of what? Please read through the entire manuscript and put in place missing words. Missing words are becoming frequent in the paper. Discussion: line 198, first sentence is not clear, something is missing. Your conclusion dovetailed into areas that were not part of your study as seen in the entire first paragaraph. Try to limit your conclusion to the findings of your study. Limitations: the way you wrote this aspect of your work was as if the interview was conducted by you. It will be more proper to state what could be a limitation of the survey data you used. Apply same to your methodology let it be clear that the data obtained by interview was also from the survey. Both limitations are more of facts statements, but since your data is from a survey which	



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	you are not part off, I feel those limitations should be more of a probability statement. Line 270-21. In addition, the information we used include events that may be difficult and painful for the <u>children</u> to recount such as death of their children. Do you mean mothers? It's a known fact that the variables the study looked at can contribute to infant mortality. What does this study contribute? Use this question to further justify and improve your work. State the location of Reference (1), e.g Abuja or Lagos e.t.c	
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<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Change Bornu to Borno. Any acknowledgement. The abstract would have to be re-structured after doing necessary corrections.	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Fine study, but the authors need to read the entire work again carefully in order to make it clearer to readers. A lot of gaps (missing words) were noted and lengthy sentences should be made shorter for easy understanding.	

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