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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>The study is interesting. The authors tried to illustrate the issues in brief. I have a few comments as follows to look at-</p> <p>Abstract – Study design / place and duration should go under method section.</p> <p>Results : Need to be revise</p> <p>Conclusion: should include key outcome of the results first then recommendation can be added.</p> <p>In main manuscript</p> <p>Introduction: Need to state clearly how the govt. health system / structure exist and how they play role as providers. That's bring an idea on how the hypothesis has generated for this particular study.</p> <p>Methods: I found its problematic part of the paper need major revision. Is only qualitative study or mixed method applied, from the results section reveals that there is a number quantitative variable took place in questionnaire?</p> <p>What was the indicators for good maternal health services provided at primary health centre need to clearly mention? Moreover, it require to justify why the health care providers who deal with patients were not included in the study because they should have perception might help this paper much rich.</p> <p>Who collected the data, what was the process, how u</p>	<p>Corrected Results revived Conclusion revised</p> <p>Done</p> <p>Methods revised</p> <p>The officers-in-charge of the health centers are the chief service providers</p>



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	<p>have critically analysis the qualitative findings were missing in the study. The study also need to analysis the HR of the primary health centre and bed occupancy rate in the discussion to justify about 24/7 services. Finally, conclusion in the study doesn't compliment the objectives, it need to be re-write.</p> <p>Ethical issues -: Author mentioned about ethical approved, however, consent should go under method section.</p>	<p>This has been explained under data collection and data analysis.</p> <p>HR of the health centers was taken care of in the Donabedian model, not included in this manuscript. (being prepared). Focus is on the burden of maternal mortality in Nigeria and that may be why the providers are worried that the health centers are not open 24 hours in a day. Conclusion revised.</p>
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<u>Optional/General</u> comments		