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Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	The data generated from this study will add to the growing body of knowledge regarding the incidence of syphilis in antenatal population in a region that is severely affected by the disease. However, in order for the paper to be publishable, it requires significant revision 1. . The entire manuscript severely lacks good language and the authors are encouraged to seek the advice of a language editor. 2. Indicate the name of the IRB that approved the study and indicate the Ethics number if available. 3. What were the 2 arms of the Randomized control study and how many women were in each arm? Or did you do random sampling instead? This needs to be clarified. 4. How was the incidence of syphilis calculated? 5. Line 156-7: syphilis is more common in women with active sex active Are you referring to frequency of coitus here or merely just being sexually active?	English was revised. To the best of our knowledge this info is described in section Ethical Approval. All the sample space was covered in the study period. The text was altered with this information. Added section 2.3.2.4 More information was added to clarify this statement.



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Minor REVISION comments	1. The line graphs will be better represented as tables.	The line graphs are now presented as tables.
Optional/General comments	The level of English and writing needs improvement.	English was revised.