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Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	Ms_IJTDH_126904
Title of the Manuscript:	Knowledge of diabetes and associated factors among diabetic clients living with HIV in Eastern Uganda Baseline cross-sectional survey
Type of the Article	

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PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>Assessing the knowledge and associated factors of diabetes among HIV positive client is very important as knowledge triggers intention and behaviours. As a result, if clients are well knowledgeable regarding diabetes they can practice prevention mechanisms and medical seeking behaviour. Therefore, it will be important for researchers by adding new ideas in order to intervene the existing gaps/problems. This also very important to other community by giving a clue regarding the gaps.</p>	
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>No ✓ To make attractive and meaningful, I suggest the title to be; "Knowledge and associated factors of diabetes mellitus among diabetic clients living with HIV in Eastern Uganda; A cross-sectional study"</p>	
<p>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ -The introduction subsection section is not explanatory for the study. Additional gaps/problems have to be added related to study area and knowledge. ✓ Objective has to be SMART and this study lacks time bound so time bound has to be added. ✓ -Method sub section lacks many concepts like, sample size, data collection technique, data quality, ethics, and populations. You can state shortly in a single sentence. ✓ -Result subsection: Add response rate and determinant factors you found from multivariate analysis's including AOR and CI. Delete ideas written out of objectives like socio-demographic characteristics. ✓ Conclusion subsection:- determinant factors have to be concluded. 	
<p>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p>	<p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Introduction; What the relationship between HIV and diabetes? What if it is not studied? And how can it be important if it is studied? Overall, what is the main gap related to your study/knowledge? ✓ Methods; At what level did you study? District zone or region/state? You have to mention the level and numbers of health facilities found in the specific level? What is the number of study population? What if you included all population? From how many hospitals/health facilities? If you clearly state the study setting it will be clear to understand. In which language did you collect the data? Were all of the study participants able to read and understand? What is the justification to make dichotomies? Why didn't use the outcome variable as a numeric? Why didn't you use linear? Where is data collection tool and procedure sub-section?Where is data quality assurance sub-section? Where is data collection tool and procedure sub-section? ✓ Result: texts Lacks clarity, tables not attractive, not written in scientific ways, ✓ Discussion; the main findings not compared and contrast adequately, possible explanations not given 	
<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>The topic is very good but it lacks scientific writing ways. The gap is not clearly stated. Ideas like How knowledge, behaviours, and intention interconnected each other, why this study is has been conducted, and the significance of the study are not clearly mentioned. Appropriate statistical analysis, data quality method and data collection method are not used. All sections and subsections have to be modified using the appropriate scientific ways of writing.</p>	
<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</p>	<p>No It is possible to explore many articles related to your topics but you mentioned only 18 references. Out of them, there are outdated references and references without year.</p>	

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Minor REVISION comments Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	It has to be edited.	
Optional/General comments	The manuscript has to be revised in terms of language, scientific way of writing, appropriate statistics. I tried to put my own comments in your mother document using "New comment". Therefore, it will be better if you revise your manuscripts as the comments stated.	

PART 2:

	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)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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