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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Pregnancy and Childbirth
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJPCB_124220
Title of the Manuscript:	THE PRACTICE AND SANITARY ETHICS MAINTAINED AMONG TBAs FOR SAFE VAGINAL DELIVERY IN BAYELSA STATE CENTRAL, NIGERIA.
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PART 1: Review Comments

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<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>The subject area of this manuscript is very important, considering the fact that some communities in developing world, still use TBAs for their maternal services, including birth and delivery services. Therefore, it is important to have research in this area, so that any challenges or contributions that TBAs are facing or making towards safe maternal services are discussed in scientific communities.</p>	
<p>Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p>	<p>I suggest the title should be modified in order that it should portray the actual issues discussed in this manuscript. 'Safe Vaginal Delivery Practices by TBAs in Bayelsa State Central, Nigeria.'</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>	<p>The abstract need to be improved on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. English grammar has to be corrected – a lot of errors 2. Clearly state the study design, study population, and data collection tools used 3. The results have to be systematically presented, with use of proper terms e.g. 'compared to' or 'compare with' 4. Clearly describe what the study is all about. Is it about TBAs, or safety of vaginal deliveries, or infection prevention during delivery or herbal medicine use? 	
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<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The authors bring up an important discussion – safety of TBA's vaginal delivery. However, the manuscript needs to be greatly revised and improved.</p>	

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PART 2:

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