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Title of the Manuscript:	Preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV: The perception and experiences of HIV positive mothers in Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria
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>
<b><u>Compulsory</u></b> REVISION comments	<b>Authors should describe how the sample size was determined.</b>	<p>This was a qualitative study. Data on patients' perception and experience of the PMTCT programme was collected through focus group discussions and in-depth interview sessions held with HIV positive mothers that accessed PMTCT services at the sites.</p> <p>Being a qualitative study, the sample size for the study was not determined in advance. At health facilities where more than six HIV positive mothers were gathered at a time, data was collected from the mothers through focus group discussions. At centres, where less than six HIV positive mothers were present at a time, data was collected from the mothers through in-depth interviews.</p> <p>The focus group discussions and in-depth interview sessions were conducted repeatedly across five different health facilities with different groups until there was no new information about the patients' perception and experience of the PMTCT programme across the different health facilities.</p>
<b><u>Minor</u></b> REVISION comments	None	
<b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments	None	