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Journal Name:	Journal of Education, Society and Behavioural Science
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JESBS_38304
Title of the Manuscript:	The prevalence of substance abuse and its mental health effects among the youth: Implications for social research
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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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 Title of the study is in-appropriate. How possible could prevalence be ascertained from a qualitative study? The Introduction centred more on prevalence even though it is obvious you cannot deduce prevalence qualitatively. The Title should be reviewed, also the objectives of the study.</p> <p>Re-write the Abstract and References in accordance with the Journal guidelines. Visit the Journal website.</p> <p>What criteria qualified the respondents for inclusion in the study bearing in mind that this is a qualitative study? Why was FGD not considered for data collection among the youths. Also, bearing in mind the high prevalence of drug abuse among the youths, is snowballing necessary in selecting the participants for this study? What is the main reason for selecting only youths involved in drug abuse for this study?</p> <p>Was the same interview guide used for the youths and the social workers? Why were only three social workers selected for the study?</p> <p>Follow the Journal guidelines in the development of a manuscript. A conceptual framework could also be developed, but it should be direct and explained in a few words. Otherwise, delete the Theoretical framework.</p> <p>The manuscript in its present form has several deficiencies, the concept, design and presentation are wrong. Authors should re-present the study as a true qualitative study and that necessitates a change in the Title, objective and presentation.</p>	
Minor REVISION comments	<p>Line 241; Since this is a qualitative study, socio-demographic characteristics should be replaced with Participants profile.</p> <p>Participants were selected purposively and by snow balling. How can that indicate that males are more involved in substance abuse than females.</p> <p>Majority should be replaced with Most.</p>	
Optional/General comments		

As per the guideline of editorial office we have followed VANCOUVER reference style for our paper.

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