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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Thank you for this important review. The versoin submitted was a draft, with comments from the senior author embedded in the word document. It is unclear if changes need to be made based on those comments, but certainly a re-submitted version would need those comments removed. Additionally, some of the language seems repetitive and can be minimized. This is a review paper which addresses different components to screening, barriers and potential options for screening. It highlights important issues and makes recommendations. There are no unique findings, but the authors do make some strong suggestions based on available evidence. Style is organized and easy to folllow. The figures do not seem appropriate -for example figure 2 is a flow chart- while it is not describing flow or a process, thereore another type of image or table may be more appropriate and understandable for the reader to interpret.