Reviewer's report

Title: Standardisation of information submitted to an endpoint committee for cause of death assignment in a cancer screening trial - lessons learnt from CAP (Cluster randomised triAl of PSA testing for Prostate cancer)

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Reviewer: Asbjørn Hróbjartsson

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The manuscript has improved considerably.

I have two minor additional items:

1) The abstract and the text do not specify an aim of the paper/investigation (It only states that it “describes procedures ...”. Is there a point in avoiding to make an aim explicit?

2) From a practical perspective, it would be useful to know the necessary man hours for implementing the vignette based blinding procedure. This information would make the planning of similar procedures in future trials easier.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests