Reviewer's report

Title: Effect of facemasks on empathy and relational continuity: a randomised controlled trial in primary care.

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Reviewer: Raymond J. Roberge

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I undertook an extensive grammatical correction of the paper and included my comments in the body of the manuscript which I have attached. I believe that this manuscript would be of significant interest to researchers in the field. There are minor revisions needed, but there are extensive grammatical changes needed before acceptance. I do not believe that a further statistical evaluation is necessary. I declare that I have no competing interests.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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