Reviewer's report

Title: Problem alcohol use among problem drug users in primary care: A qualitative study of what patients think about screening and treatment

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This paper has a much clearer flow than the initial draft and is easy to read and follow, with key areas more thoroughly explained for the reader.

Background

1 paragraph 2 line 5 there is a closed brackets symbol that hasnt been deleted

2 paragraph 3 as you mention 'patients views on this matter' at the outset, I feel it reads better losing 'on this issue' from line 3

3 paragraph 4 - the newly inserted section beginning - however the views of drug users .... - this section is good and addresses the point raised in the initial review it could just do with a bit of rewording as it doesn't read as well and flow as well as it could with the rest of the section - very minor changes would help it just stands out a little as an insert - not as well crafted as the rest of the paper.

Methods

4 Participants - paragraph 2 line 5 - I am not sure I understand 'consecutive patients' - could consecutive just be deleted

Discussion

5 last paragraph line 1 instead of 'on methadone' - on methadone treatment would read better and fits with the next sentence

Conclusion

6 paragraph 1 line 3 I would lose the word 'topic' for me losing it leaves the sentence ending a little more forcefully this topic just seems like another topic in among many others

7 The final sentence of the conclusion - in response to a reviewers previous comment is a good addition however I personally prefer the wording in the sentence in the conclusion of the abstract. the wording as it currently is in the text just seems to spring this on you and end

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.