Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Feasibility of a GP delivered skin cancer prevention intervention in Australia

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Vuong et al. have conducted a feasibility study on a GP delivered skin cancer prevention intervention in Australia. In general, authors have clearly defined the question and adequately described the methods. The manuscript adheres to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition. Discussion and conclusion are well balanced and adequately supported by the data. However, authors may avoid comparing efficacy results as found in the feasibility study with that of USPSTF systematic review. Limitations of the work are clearly stated. Authors have acknowledged previous work on the subject. The title and abstract accurately convey what has been found. However, in Abstract, in methods, authors need to report on specific parameters that were used to evaluate feasibility and acceptance for intervention. The writing is acceptable.

Despite the fact that it is a well reported feasibility study, the justification of performing the study is not convincing especially under the light of the previously conducted systematic review by the USPSTF, which is cited by the authors in discussion. Authors need to adequately explain why resources should be allocated to interventions, which do not lead to behavior change in general population according to the well-conducted systematic review. A study that may focus on different approaches for skin cancer prevention, or on target population groups that may have the highest benefit might be more appropriate. Therefore, this article may not be of high priority for publication.

**Level of interest:** An article of insufficient interest to warrant publication in a scientific/medical journal

**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