Reviewer’s report

Title: Process evaluation for complex interventions in primary care: understanding trials using the normalization process model

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Reviewer: Susan Michie

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General

This is a generally clearly written and accessible paper reporting a conceptual model of contextual influences on implementation of health care interventions, illustrated by two practical examples. It builds on a previous paper published last year.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Abstract: “clinically” should be “clinical”

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

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