Reviewer's report

Title: An individually-tailored multifactorial intervention program for older fallers in a middle-income developing country: Malaysian Falls Assessment and Intervention Trial (MyFAIT)

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“Frailty and Body Mass Index as Predictors of 3-Year Mortality in Older Adults Living in the Community” by Pey June Tan, Ee Ming Khoo, Karuthan Chinna, Keith D. Hill, Phillip J.H. Poi and Maw Pin Tan

1. Will the study design adequately test the hypothesis?
   The main objective of this study is to evaluate the effectiveness of individually-tailored multifactorial intervention in reducing falls in at risk older people in Malaysia.
   Why do you expect a difference in terms of effectiveness when conducting a fall preventive intervention study in western developed nations as compared to a middle-income developing country? Is there data that supports this hypothesis (e.g., different fall-risk factors)?
   Please be more specific when it comes to the description of the individually-tailored program. In other words, how will you manage to make your program individually-tailored?

2. Are sufficient details provided to allow replication of the work or comparison with related analyses: if not, what is missing?
   Yes, the authors provided sufficient and detailed information so that the study could be replicated.

3. Does the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition: if not, in what ways?
   Yes, the manuscript adheres to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition.

4. Is the writing acceptable?
   Yes, the writing is acceptable.

Reviewer recommendation: minor essential revisions