Reviewer's report

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- Major Compulsory Revisions

My original comment 7a:
You need to discuss the adequacy of the Advisory, however diplomatically, because if it was not clear enough then it is unfair and misleading to blame the media alone for getting the message wrong.

9e: the sentence now at the top of p10 is still a problem. Instead of positive and negative, say benefit and harm - then all should be clear.

- Minor Essential Revisions

7c. The word 'provider' does not occur in the advisory as claimed in the rejoinder - it uses 'professional'

7d. Table 1 : please say briefly how these examples were selected

8b. OK - say "we had been given the wrong numbers"

New point 12: add SSRI to title - important for indexers and readers