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Major Compulsory Revisions:

1) Several responses to the reviewers question refer to page 28. But there you find only the reference list.

2) It is a substantial weakness that the authors are not willing to include more information (percentage data) about the subgroups. I can understand that this request is not common in qualitative data reports but the manuscript will benefit and such data will also give a profound insight in physical activity behavior of MM patients.

Minor Essential Revisions:

3) The request (8) # Page 9 (f): The n and % number in the same brackets looks a bit confusing. Sort them better by using a semicolon instead of a comma. …was not done.

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:

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