Reviewer’s report

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Overall the authors have been responsive addressing my questions and concerns. Only minor revisions below, primarily focused on clarifying issues surrounding symptom distress scale used in the analyses.

(1) Please include some basic information about the SDS-15 scale in the methods section.

(2) Small formatting fix -- Page 6. The first and second reference to the SDS-15 should be fixed.

(3) Table 1: SDS-15 scores seem to be repeated across both groups.

(4) In the methods section the multivariate model is said to include: age, clinical service, working status and baseline SDS-15. Table 3 lists the multivariate model with only age, service, work status. Please revise table three to include baseline SDS-15 scores.

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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