Reviewer’s report

Title: Short-term outcomes of community-based adolescent weight management: The Loozit(R) Study

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Reviewer: Carolyn CS Summerbell

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This is a very polished report of an important study, although it will be the trial results at 1 and 2 years which will be of greatest importance and interest.

The aspect of this study which is of particular interest is the fact that it is community based.

I only have 3 revision requests - all minor essential requests.

1. Please pop a footnote to Table 3 to inform the reader of the scale and direction of scores reported, so that they have some context within which to interpret them.

2. Please comment on the cost of Phase 1 of the Loozit programme, including any additional training needs for health professional staff working in the community, and thus give the reader some sense of the feasibility for rolling out the programme.

3. Please specify the behavioural theory (or theories) which underpins the intervention.

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