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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am enclosing a revised manuscript for submission to *BMC Public Health* entitled, “Evaluating a selective prevention program for binge drinking among young adolescents: Study protocol of a randomized controlled trial”. The total manuscript, including the title page, abstract, 1 tables, and 1 figure is 26 pages long. Co-authors are Drs. Ferry Goossens (Trimbos Institute), Drs. Suzanne Lokman (Trimbos Institute), Dr. Karin Monshouwer (Trimbos Institute), Dr. Lex Lemmers (Trimbos Institute), Dr. Patricia Conrod (University of London), Prof. Dr. Reinout Wiers (University of Amsterdam), Prof. Dr. Rutger Engels (Radboud University Nijmegen) and Dr. Marloes Kleinjan (Radboud University Nijmegen).

In the revised manuscript:
- a statement is included that the study was evaluated by the medical ethical commission, which considered no ethical approval was necessary;
- and a 'competing interests' section is included at the end of the manuscript.

The changes are highlighted in the text of the manuscript.

We state that the manuscript has not been published previously and is being submitted only to *BMC Public Health*. Furthermore, we confirm that all of the listed authors have contributed significantly to the manuscript and agreed to the submission in this form.

We hope that the manuscript meets the journal’s requirements and we look forward receiving your response.

Sincerely,

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