Reviewer’s report

Title: The role of gender in a smoking cessation intervention: a cluster randomized clinical trial

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The paper has improved with the revision, and is almost fit for publication. Being one of two papers from the same trial, exploring the differential role of gender, perhaps it should be published after the more general study, so it may be referenced. It also could benefit from a review of English style: many expressions even if formally correct are reminiscent of Latin-based language structures. For an international readership, I recommend that 'Basic Care Units' in the abstract could be changed for 'family physician or nurse'.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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'