Reviewer's report

Title: Health-care workers’ participation in a healthy-lifestyle-promotion project in western Sweden

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- Major Compulsory Revisions

- Minor Essential Revisions

1. Must define the population more precisely (what proportion retired between time 1 and 4 years later), the number of participating hospitals and size, and whether there were non-institution (home-based health care, non-cohorted) employees. It be interesting to know the drop-out rate at halftime. This maybe best done with a graphic. Some more information on age distribution would also be useful, as the simple statement of "no difference" doesn't really present age ranges. Without that it's really impossible to generalize these results to various populations

2. Must clarify if / whether / how number of retirees affect table 2.

The author can be trusted to make these. For example, missing labels on figures, the wrong use of a term, spelling mistakes.

- Discretionary Revisions

These are recommendations for improvement which the author can choose to ignore. For example clarifications, data that would be useful but not essential.

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I, Michael Hodgson, declare that I have no competing interests