Reviewer's report

**Title:** Motivational foci and medication tactics directed towards a functional day: A qualitative study of adherence behaviour in young adults with asthma

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**Major Compulsory Revisions**

1. The research question posed by the authors is very interesting and well defined. The aim of the study was to elucidate adherence reasoning in relation to asthma medication.

2. In the methods, analysis is described in details, however the authors should explained why they didn’t use conventional statistical to verify their hypothesis as factorial analysis or cluster analysis.

3. The presentation of the data is one of the limits of the manuscript. The data should be more described in details. For example, how many patients were considered in each regulatory foci, number of patients, gender, severity and control of asthma, means of age, follow-up by Gp or specialist, previous educational program for their asthma etc., smoking habits, experience of severe asthma attack, social class, hospitalizations, emergency visits, duration of asthma, Did the authors think the three approach are independent from each other, or did they observed some link between the different foci?

4. The discussion and conclusions are not well balanced and adequately supported by the data.

5. Limitations of the work are not clearly stated particularly on the size of the study, and the lack of description data for the three groups.

6. the title and abstract are accurately convey however, the title should be shortened

7. the writing is acceptable

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**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 in relation to this paper'