Reviewer's report

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The authors have clearly addressed the prior issues identified in the first review. This paper will be a valuable addition to the literature. I would still like to see more granulation between those who had self harmed once and those who had self harmed repeatedly. One would assume that the data would support separating these groups. However, the authors have grouped them together. Perhaps this is due to the data collection procedure, and the data does not support separating them? I imagine that readers will have this question in their mind, at presently there is no way to understand this, other than making assumptions as I have done here. However, I believe this to a change that is to be made at the authors discretion.

Discretionary Revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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