Reviewer's report


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The authors present a revised version of their paper. Following suggestions to include more details about procedures used in this study, the authors were able to meet the points raised. However concerns whether a scale using 14 items instead of one item directly addressing self harm really presents an d advantage could not be addressed, which is understandable given the aim of this study. I find this paper to be of interest to a specialized group of readers, with some interesting results concerning the relationship between self harm and other psychopathological variables. Especially results regarding predictive variables for future self harm present an interesting finding. I can therefore recommend publication in the current form.

Minor correction: p. 17: “This could be have applications..” should probably read “This could have applications..”

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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