Title: The effectiveness of the Allen Carr smoking cessation training in companies tested in a quasi-experimental design.

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Reviewer: Carla Schlesinger

Reviewer's report:
A well presented paper - only minor essential and directionary revisions needed.

Minor essential revisions -
- all numbers 10 and over need to be presented numerically
- line 59 remove the full stop after published
- line 68 replace "we want to know" with "aimed to assess"
- line 81-82 - you need to improve the grammar in this sentence as it does not read well and lacks clarity
- line 89 replace "while their smoking abstinence is compared to very similar smokers" with "while their abstinence rates are compared to matched control smokers"
- line 94 replace "their" with "ACt"
- line 104 replace "whenever they wanted" with "at any time without penalty"
- line 131 replace the word incentives with reimbursements
- line 135 replace earn with reimbursed

Directionary revisions -
- line 68 - what constitutes effective? is it with regard to improving abstinence rates?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests