Reviewer's report

**Title:** Process factors explaining the ineffectiveness of a multidisciplinary fall prevention programme: a process evaluation

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**Reviewer:** Sirkka-Liisa Kivelä

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Major Compulsory Revisions

This is a well-done study about the process evaluation of a fall prevention programme. Different kinds of methods have been used, and the collection of data fulfills the criteria of a critical study. The manuscript is quite long, but not too extensive to be interesting and easy to read. The topic is important. Falls are common, and prevention of falls in the aged should be developed. However, it has not been common to describe the processes of prevention programmes. It has been even more uncommon to evaluate the processes and to find aspects in the programmes that have lead to success of the programme or to unsuccess of the programme. This study belongs to the rare studies aiming to find the aspects that have caused the unsuccess of the programme. No major compulsory revisions are needed.

Minor Essential Revisions

I could not find any spelling mistakes or wrong use of terms. No minor essential revision are needed.

Discretionary Revisions

None

**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:**

No competing interests.