Reviewer’s report

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Minor essential revisions

The authors have attended to all the points raised in both reviews. In trying to resolve the inconsistency in the use of terms they have abandoned, appropriately, use of the term "self harm" but have occasionally used the term "poisoning" as against "self-poisoning". I am assuming that all the cases discussed were of self poisoning.

The manuscript needs proof reading to correct minor word processing errors.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

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.