Reviewer's report

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General

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

General comments

The authors have addressed the concerns raised in previous review of this manuscript. However, there is still room for further improvement of the paper.

1. There is a grammatical error in the sentence ‘studies with control group have been shown to differ cally in estimating magnitude of effects… page 4, first paragraph. This should be revised

2. The following sentences are vague and need to be revised: a) “active training of facilitators to effectively conduct the intervention and programme monitoring should be ensured rather than assuming facilitators knowledge … page 12 first paragraph; b) ‘Future studies should be conducted after establishing an appropriate framework, such as is informed by findings of systematic review like this …’ page 12 first paragraph c) “ensuring the above in the studies include in this systematic review could have helped informing … page 12 first paragraph.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

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