Reviewer’s report

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The authors of the submitted manuscript have addressed all of my critiques. I have only one suggestion, a discretionary revision.

The information from Table 1 can easily be incorporated into Figure 1. I suggest that the authors place a footnote in Figure 1 indicating which of the six items pertain to the FTND/HSI.

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:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'