Reviewer’s report

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Minor Essential Revisions

In response to the request for clarification of the amount of time subjects were able to devote to the intervention they added the text: “The subjects were neither unemployed nor disabled. Their ability to spend that much time in the clinic might be due to ‘cultural differences’. This text as written will have little meaning for readers of the manuscript. The text needs to be elaborated to explain the reason for this text.

In response to details regarding the 4-hour intervention the authors responded with the text: “The components were: asanas and pranayamas, 1 hour; breakfast and building up of group support, 30 min; Lecture and discussion, 2 hours; Meditation, 30 min.” However, this text was not inserted into the revised manuscript – it should be.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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