Reviewer's report

Title: A systematic review of psychosocial interventions for family carers of palliative care patients

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Major Compulsory Revisions: The last three paragraphs of the discussion section are incomplete. While they discuss important points made by other authors, the authors of this paper have not adequately related those points to the current review of the literature.

Minor Essential Revisions:
1. Results section, 1st paragraph, 5th line, should read "carers of palliative care patients"
2. Results section, 3rd paragraph, Re: "lower reports of symptom distress". Do you mean "reports of lower symptom distress"?

I enjoyed this paper very much and think it is timely and relevant.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest 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.