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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your recent email and the reviewers’ comments on the above – mentioned manuscript. We have carefully addressed the comments as detailed below:

The abstract has been rewritten according to BMC series guidelines.
The email addresses for all authors are added to the front page of the manuscript
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The manuscript is copyedited to improve the style of English language.

Reviewer’s report 1 (Victor Grann)

The paragraph about survival of BRCA1 breast cancer patients is rewritten; details of Lee et al meta-analysis paper (ref 29) are included to avoid any confusion. In addition, a limitation section is added at the end of the paper. To the best of the authors’ knowledge no other statements require further clarification. All changes are highlighted in the revised manuscript.

Reviewer’s report 2 (Amy Finch)

References are added as requested.

The statement: 'Prospective controlled trials examining the various interventions. Is clarified as 'Prospective randomised controlled trials’

Abbreviations such as BC, OC, LE, EOC have been replaced by long terms as suggested. The use of abbreviations is kept to as minimum as possible.
We take this opportunity to thank the editor of BMC women’s Health, and the reviewers, for the time and effort they took to review our manuscript. If there are any further issues with this manuscript, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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On behalf of the co-authors