Reviewer's report

Title: Exploring the perspectives of allied health practitioners toward the use of journal clubs as a medium for promoting evidence-based practice: a qualitative study

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This is a well written paper.
No Major compulsory revisions required.

Minor essential revisions
- Results (page 10) - 2nd paragraph state 'less than half of the AHP had exposure to research or EBP training prior to participating in JC' Can the authors please clarify if this is for all participants or just the exposed group? As the next sentence refers to both groups’ perspectives.

Discretionary revisions
- Results (page 10) - end of 2nd paragraph - Paragraph break prior to sentence starting 'Allied healthperspectives' on JCs were classified in five broad categories:.....' A paragraph prior to this will ensure that the reader does not relate this information to the discussion of the results of exposed groups.

- Utility and benfits of a journal club section - Page 12 - quotes from unexposed and exposed are practically the same nearly word for word - is it possible to use an alternative quote for one.

- Summary of findings (page 18) - Sentence starting 'While the exposed groups identified partnership with iCAHE and JCs as a crtical element.....' This sentence is a bit confusing please rephrase

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