Reviewer's report

Title: Clinical Training: Simulation program for phlebotomy

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Reviewer: Peter Dieckmann

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General

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

First of all thank you very much for your work in reworking the paper and your commitment. I appreciate that you took into consideration my and the other reviewers comments.

With this version of the paper, I would like to point your attention to a few (minor) issues - mainly related to language issues.

At time the paper reads a little awkward in terms of expression and grammar, making it hard at times to grasp the meaning. I think it is necessary that a native English Speaker checks the whole paper.

A few examples:

page 5:
The trainee for a physician role could feel realistic tissue and vein wall resistance through the needle [...]  
*unclear...The trainee in the physician role... might be better"

[...] medical school and have passed the national board examination but they have few experience of phlebotomy both to simulator and to person.  
*check use of experience*

We report here the satisfaction level of this program on the participants, including their direct opinions on the value and effectiveness of the program as an educational tool.  
*check opinions about*
Another issue is the still far fetching interpretation of your results on page 9: Our report confirms the important educational effects of this type of training program.
*This is interpreted too far*

I am unclear about the status of the text on page 16. Why would you need this text there?

Good luck and best wishes,
Peter

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

**What next?:** Accept after minor essential revisions

**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:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.