Reviewer's report

Title: The effectiveness of web-based and face-to-face continuing education methods on nurses' knowledge about AIDS: A comparative study

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Minor Essential Revisions

A well designed and concise study.

Why are the authors calling this quasi-experimental when they had random assignment? Would this not be a true experimental design?

Further information on instructional design of each format would be useful, e.g. types of technology used for the web-based format and further description of the learning activities.

What types of questions were used on the assessment? MCQs? T/F?

Some grammar issues throughout the paper which should be corrected.

Tables 2, 4 and 5 are not necessary but could simply be discussed in the text.

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'