Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Dawn Stacey

Reviewer's report:

Thank you for the opportunity to review this revised manuscript and the response to my feedback. It was a pleasure to read and clearly reflects your response to my feedback.

The only very minor edits are:
- excluded due to 5 diseases is now identified twice or three times in the paper but great that it is explicitly stated
- percent in the results section should be %
- in the limitation section there is "the most" but should just be "most"

Thanks again for this excellent paper and contribution to evidence on health coaching.

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