Reviewer's report

Title: Factors influencing the surgery intentions and choices of women with early breast cancer: the predictive utility of an extended Theory of Planned Behaviour

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It would be helpful to know whether there were any age differences in type of surgery chosen and/or in attitudes toward surgery. The average age of the sample is somewhat younger than that of the average age of breast cancer dx (at least in the US, which is closer to 59-60). Younger women may have different attitudes regarding the options.

Related to the above, the manuscript doesn't mention whether breast reconstruction is considered or offered at the time of surgery with mastectomy. This option could impact some of the responses (for instance, mastectomy is less disfiguring if the breast is reconstructed following). Research has shown that women may opt for mastectomy if offered reconstruction at that time. Some comment about this issue/option would be useful in thinking about how patient attitudes toward treatment options affect their choices.

Level of interest: An article of importance 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 I have no competing interests