Reviewer’s report

Title: Telephone follow-up by nurse following total knee arthroplasty - a randomized clinical trial

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Reviewer: Ian a Harris

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This paper reports the protocol for an RCT of post-discharge telephone follow up in the first 2 weeks post joint replacement surgery.

The study needs revising for language (e.g. p > 0.05 instead of p < 0.05, and in sample size, this phrase make no sense: which is reported to 5.3 to 20.4 points

There are many other minor errors that would be detected with a read-through. Otherwise, the study is set up to test the hypothesis appropriately and is well written

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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 have no competing interests