Reviewer's report

Title: Home-based music therapy- A systematic overview of settings and conditions for an innovative field of healthcare service.

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Reviewer: Felicity Baker

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Review: All the comments below where I am requesting changes I consider to be major compulsory revisions.

I want to commend the authors for addressing the main issues/concerns I raised with their original manuscript. My comments are only minor and I consider that the editor can now determine whether these final points have been addressed when the next version of the manuscript has been submitted. Please attend to the following:

1) I note the word “Indication” still appears in many places despite the authors saying in their response to my original review that they removed reference to them. One incident includes the word “indications” in the title of a section – see page 10. I reiterate that this word needs to be either changed -please use a word of a similar meaning, one that is more widely used.

Introduction page 4. Second paragraph, inserted the word “drastic”. What’s the evidence that there has been drastic changes? Changes in what?

p. 4, 3rd paragraph: “On this account music therapy concepts.... “. On this account is a strange language expression. Please revise for good English expression

Methods: p. 6, 2nd paragraph. “As the anticipated outcome was going to be a mixture of indications...”. Again, was going to be is a strange English expression, and the word indications has appeared here.

Discussion:

I am happy that the authors have addressed the limitations of the review in detail. I do question though what “grey literature” is? This is not a term I am familiar with, again this might be a German translation issue.

I am also very happy with the recommendations and implications for implementing practice offered in the conclusion.

Other Grammatical errors:

p.3, 3rd line of discussion: “This fits right in with the changing...” could be “This fits with the changing”
p. 11, Discussion, first line. Consider “This is the first systematic literature review which presents a comprehensive overview of the field of…”

**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'