Reviewer’s report

Title: Investigating the utility of an online discussion group for health professionals: a case example from forensic occupational therapy.

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The question posed by the authors is well defined. The methods are appropriate and well described in view of revealing benefits of an online discussion group. The data can be well used as a marker for future research in this and similar fields. The manuscript adheres to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition. The discussion and conclusions are well balanced and adequately supported by the data giving enough information on the topic, its limitations and potentials for future work.

Authors clearly state the limitations of the work. They also acknowledge some published work which has been found in similar fields of research, but it is the only research of that kind in the field of forensic occupational therapy.

The abstract accurately conveys what has been found, and the title only shows what has been explored. There are no special recommendations for revision, therefore the article is acceptable.

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 that I have no competing interests.