Reviewer's report

Title: Factors Contributing to Attrition Behavior in Diabetes Self-management Programs: A Mixed Method Approach

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Gucciardi et al conducted a cross-sectional study to investigate factors that may contribute to attrition behavior in attending education sessions for diabetes self-management (DSME) using both quantitative and qualitative approaches, as well as the Behavioral Model of Health Service Utilization.

This is a resubmission of their manuscript with revisions in response to previous reviewers' comments. They have appropriately and adequately addressed all the issues raised by the reviewers. Their objective was well-defined, but presents only a slightly new approach to assessing attrition, specifically to attendance of education sessions. Their methods were appropriate, and the discussion was thorough.

Major Compulsory Revisions: none

Minor Essential Revisions: none

Discretionary Revisions: none

What next?: Accept without revision

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.