Reviewer's report

Title: Study protocol for the recreational stimulation for elders as a vehicle to resolve delirium superimposed on dementia (Reserve For DSD) trial

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I have now read the protocol and am happy for it to be published in trials.

The protocol is well written and the investigators had considered the challenges of undertaking a trial in individuals that lack capacity and they have considered the most appropriate way to minimise bias in the assessment of their intervention which cannot be blinded to the participant (patient).

The only issue I would ask the investigators to consider are

1. I would prefer to see on rather than a number of primary outcomes.
2. Is it possible to reliably measure the duration of delirium in patients with dementia?