Title: The Y-Worri Project: A cluster randomised controlled trial testing the effectiveness of an Internet-based program for preventing generalised anxiety with an adolescent school-based population.

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Reviewer: Tobias Freund

Reviewer's report:

Calear et al. report the protocol of a cluster randomised controlled trial testing the effectiveness of an Internet-based program for preventing generalised anxiety with an adolescent school-based population. Innovative care models and implementation pathways are needed to meet the needs of increasing numbers of adolescents with psychiatric disorders. Therefore, the planned trial will be of interests for health service organizations in Australia and internationally.

The article is well-written overall. However, I recommend two major revisions prior to publication of the protocol in Trials:

1) Trial status: Please clarify "ongoing" as Trials does only publish protocols of studies with ongoing patient recruitment

2) Primary outcome: The (single or combined) primary outcome needs to be stated explicitly (including measurement tool and timepoint): 0.3 SD on the GAD-7 scale postintervention? Please discuss how multiple testing will be addressed in case of interim analyses and how this effects power.

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:

No conflict of interest