Reviewer's report

Title: Talk, Trust and Time: A Longitudinal Study Evaluating Knowledge Translation and Exchange Processes for Research on Violence Against Women

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I did not review this paper originally so but I have seen the authors' response to comments from other reviewer. While I feel that the research conduct and data are sound, I am left feeling that overall it adds very little to what is already known about implementation challenges (more difficult if no agreement about evidence, problems of sustaining interest over time and so on) and I would like to have seen something clearer about what this paper adds. There were some challenges in the evaluation and perhaps stronger presentation of these would help shift the focus and make the paper 'add' a bit more.

My second comment is regarding the presentation of data. While I appreciate that the authors have tried to address the original reviewer's comments in this regard, I still found myself have to read back and forth to get to grips with which phase and method was being reported. I also recognize the difficulties of presenting mixed methods studies, so I gave it several reads through to see if that made it more familiar and easier to follow, but I still found it difficult to track and even with tables, it was complex to trace this longitudinal study and the different data sets.

My recommendation would be to ask the authors to consider a major revision which takes another approach to presentation of findings and to say something more about the 'what this paper adds' aspects to make its contribution to the science much clearer.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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 I have no competing interests