Reviewer’s report

Title: ‘Motivational work’: a qualitative study of preventive health dialogues in general practice

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The authors have done a very thorough job in addressing my concerns. I have a few minor issues that remain to be attended to by the authors.

Abstract
In the abstract, it would be helpful to briefly identify the nature of the contextual factors affecting motivational work being undertaken in health dialogues.

Introduction
In referring to Frohlich et al.s' view about health behaviors, the authors described the important of considering action presented by the sociocultural context. Further they stated that health behavior varies in different social contexts. Social contexts are different from sociocultural contexts and it is important that the authors clarify their meaning here. In addition, when referring to context, since it is a nebulous and complex entity, the authors need to be precise about what interpretation they assign to it.

Discussion
Since the results now encompass a combination of results and discussion, the discussion heading on p. 27 should be removed.

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