Reviewer’s report

Title: Trained volunteers to support chronically ill, multimorbid elderly between hospital and domesticity - A systematic review of one-on-one-intervention types, effects, and underlying training concepts

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The authors have made the suggested changes. There are still some minor changes/typos that need to be addressed

P4

Line 103-take out e.g.and put in For example

Line 115- should be has been instead of was- The authors need to do a thorough review of the verb tense throughout the manuscript

Line 113 take out colon

P5

Line124-edit...community, THAT ARE predominantly group based.

Line 125-...engage individuals to increase cancer...

Line 128-...and volunteers have already taken on...

Line 130-whether, and how, chronically ill...

Lines 134-135- take out Tthere were...some publications have addressed.

Line 136-change to...However information on how to train volunteers...

P 7

Line 165 change to ...Assuming the search would be unsatisfactory, it was supplemented...institutions offering voluntary engagement.

The search was conducted on German institutions focused on research and practice...
...s supplementary search (within?) organizations made sense...the effore of an institutional search generated additional results. Our group did not have the expertise to locate international institutions...

P.*

Line 203-they evaluated transitional care support delivered one-on-one at home...

Lines 208-209 look at sentence structure to make it clearer

P 11

Line 270-That the data was not sufficient to form well supported categories...

Line 272- We added to these initial categories by inductively identifying additional types of volunteer support...

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Line 474- The review identified three evaluated fields of one-to-one...

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Line 521- This could be due to the rationale that focusing...

Lines 525-526 I don't understand that sentence

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Line 559-The supplementary institutional search generated additional...

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