Reviewer’s report

Title: Development of an inventory of goals using the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health in a population of non-ambulatory children and adolescents with cerebral palsy treated with botulinum toxin A

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Reviewer: Aishah Fauzi

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Dear authors,

Thank you for the response and revision. I would like to command again the effort to explore on inventory goals according to the ICF domains for Botulinum toxin injection in a population of non-ambulatory children and adolescent with Cerebral Palsy.

However, this article is merely describing a descriptive findings of the interview feedbacks on goals of botulinum toxin injection from parents and therapists. There is no objective measure to explore on any association of the inventory goals with any specific outcome, henceforth further inferential analysis is not applicable here. The basis of recruiting only 20 subjects based on the fact stated in Subject characteristics 'Participants were recruited until no new additional goals were provided, and data saturation was reached' is confusing. How do you determine there are no new goals could or should be added and stopped recruiting after 20 subjects recruited? What does it mean 'data saturation was reached'? For a cross sectional study design with CP population, N of 20 is a very small number for analysis.

The description of feedbacks from parents and therapists using the inventory goals gave an idea on how to facilitate a more directed and objective goal setting for botulinum toxin injection. However, this study did not have a concrete evidence from results to show that through the feedback process using the existing inventory goals have a magnitude of positive effect on the outcome after BTX injection (presented in Table 3), to conclude and bank in the (perhaps the hypothesis) of the usefulness of inventory goals in assisting goal setting.

I agree with the implication of the study, that further study with a qualitative method is warranted to better explore parents perception on the usefulness of the inventory goals for botulinum toxin intervention among children and adolescence with CP.

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