Reviewer's report

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**Major compulsory revisions:**

It is misleading to state in the abstract and results section that severity of depression and HRQOL decreased significantly from baseline without reporting the primary negative finding - that intervention and control groups did not differ significantly in either of these outcomes at 3 or 6 month follow-up. An improvement from baseline is expected and cannot be attributed to any specific effect of the intervention.

It is possible that failure to observe significant between-group differences in follow-up depression and HRQOL measures reflects type 2 error. But this can be explicitly examined by reporting the confidence interval for the observed difference. If the authors make this point in the discussion, it is essential to present data regarding precision.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**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 that I have no competing interests.