Author’s response to reviews

Title: Evaluation of a Web-based tailored intervention (TAVIE en santé) to support people living with HIV in the adoption of health promoting behaviours: an online randomized controlled trial protocol

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Dear editors in chief,

Mr. Caraher
Mr. Khan
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Please find attached our manuscript titled Evaluation of a Web-based tailored intervention (TAVIE en santé) to support people living with HIV in the adoption of health promoting behaviours: an online randomized controlled trial protocol, to be considered for publication in BMC Public Health. The article describes an innovative research protocol for an online randomized controlled trial. The items of the SPIRIT 2013 statement were taken into account in drawing up the protocol. This study is currently in the recruitment phase. At this time, no publications containing the results of this study have been published or submitted to any journal.
The protocol has undergone a peer-review and was awarded a grant by a major Canadian funding body (Canadian Institutes of Health Research). The protocol has also been approved by a Committee of the Whole of the research ethic board Research Ethics Board (REB) of the Centre Hospitalier de l’Université de Montréal (CHUM) following a multicentre research project protocol. Copies of ethical and funding approval were forwarded to BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com.

The protocol has been added to the International Standard Randomized Controlled Trial Register (Trial registration #NCT02378766, assigned on March 3th 2015).

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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