Author’s response to reviews

Title: The trAPP-study: Cost-effectiveness of an unsupervised e-health supported neuromuscular training program for the treatment of acute ankle sprains in general practice: design of a randomized controlled trial

Authors:

Adinda K.E. Mailuhu (a.mailuhu@erasusmc.nl)
Evert A.L.M. Verhagen (e.verhagen@vumc.nl)
John M. van Ochten (j.vanochten@erasusmc.nl)
Patrick J.E. Bindels (p.bindels@erasusmc.nl)
Sita M.A. Bierma-Zeinstra (s.bierma-zeinstra@erasusmc.nl)
Marienke van Middelkoop (m.vanmiddelkoop@erasusmc.nl)

Version: 2 Date: 20 March 2015

Author’s response to reviews:

BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders
BioMed Central
236 Gray’s Inn Road
London WC1X 8HB
United Kingdom

Submission of a revised manuscript

Dear editor,

On behalf of the authors I would like to thank you for the opportunity to re-submit our manuscript at the BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders and it is therefore my pleasure to submit our revised manuscript entitled “The trAPP-study: Cost-effectiveness of an unsupervised e-health supported neuromuscular training program for the treatment of acute ankle sprains in general practice: design of a randomized controlled trial”.

Below we have tried to answer the comments as best as possible and changed the text in the original manuscript when necessary.

1. Ethics

The Methods section of our study protocol includes the name of the body which approved our research protocol: the Medical Ethics Committee of the Erasmus University Medical Center, The Netherlands, number 2014-250. The trial is registered in the Netherlands Trial Registry (NTR4765). In addition, the study design and procedures are in compliance with the Helsinki Declaration (7th version, October 2013) (this statement is added to the Methods section in our revised manuscript).
2.1 Ethical and Funding Approval Documentation
We confirm that we have sent the following requested documentation to BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com:
- Ethical approval trAPP-study (original document and translated version)
- Funding approval trAPP-study (original document and translated version)

2.2 Funding
The trAPP-study is externally funded by ZonMW, the Netherlands Organization for Health Research and Development. We confirm that our study protocol has undergone peer-review by this funding body.

2.3 Study status
The trAPP-study is at the moment ongoing, since we are currently recruiting patients and collecting data.

2.4 Related Articles
This article is not under consideration by another journal or electronic publication.

All correspondence could be addressed to undersigned.

Yours sincerely,
Adinda K.E. Mailuhu, MD
Department of General Practice
Erasmus MC
PO Box 2040
3000 CA Rotterdam
Tel: +31-10-7032135
FAX: + 31-10-7032127
E-mail: a.mailuhu@erasusmc.nl