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Title: Systematic review and clinical recommendations for dosage of supported home-based standing programs for adults with stroke, spinal cord injury and other neurological conditions

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Reviewer 1:

We have corrected the spelling errors as indicated and increased the font size of Table 2 to 12 point.

Reviewer 2:

Focus on dosage more, or revise the aim: We revised the aim to make efficacy the primary aim and dosage a secondary aim.

We also split longer sentences as requested.

Update search: We re-ran the search September 2015 as requested and identified 4 new articles. The inclusion of these necessitated changes to the paper and these can be seen as track changes has been left on.

Reduce abbreviations: Six abbreviations have been removed. The remaining abbreviations are in common use and used frequently throughout the paper. In our opinion, writing out the remaining abbreviations would add significantly to the length of the paper.

Balance should be BSF not activity: Under Body structure and Function the following codes address balance - b235 vestibular functions , b2351 vestibular functions of balance

Under Activity the following codes are seen – d415 maintaining a body position, d4154 maintaining a standing position. We believe the studies in this paper were measuring ability to maintain a symmetrical and stable standing position, not vestibular functions and therefore we coded it as Activity. We have added a sentence to methods to make this clear.
Add more information on clinical reasons for standing and possible reasons for ineffectiveness: We have added a paragraph on possible reasons for ineffectiveness and qualitative vs quantitative results.