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Response to the Editor

Editor comment:

I find that the revision has clarified the issues raised by our reviewers. I only have one concern related to the conclusions in the abstract.

It says “… the result of these beliefs tends to be an avoidance of physicality and engagement with normal living”. I don’t think this statement is supported by the results, and would ask you to consider to modify this to say that such beliefs in your view are likely to lead to avoidance of physical activities or that a potential consequence of such beliefs is avoidance of physical activities.

Author response:

We thank the editor for their work on our paper and for the above comments. We agree with the suggested change to our abstract conclusion and have made the requested change. The statement
now reads: “… a potential consequence of such beliefs is an avoidance of physical activities…” (see track changes in the re-submitted manuscript.

Kind regards