Reviewer’s report

Title: What makes patients aware of their artificial knee joint?

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Reviewer: Sabrina Grant

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There has been a good attempt to address previous comments. Some however still require revisiting. Tightening up is still required in relation to the methods with more linkages of the text to the tables.

Topic guides, detail of the categorization of the qualitative coding should be supplied so the reader can establish the analysis approach i.e. whether findings are truly grounded in the data. Though there is an attempt to address scientific weaknesses of the development of importance ratings in the limitations section of the discussion it doesn't go far enough. Agreed perhaps assessing joint awareness is potentially worth considering, the validity of the conclusions is hard to draw based on the methods used of assessing importance in the first place. Is this research for example leading to the development of a measure of assessing joint awareness? Currently it doesn't draw a focus based on evidence, but rather more personal opinions in the discussion.

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