Reviewer's report

Title: Prognostic factors of a favorable outcome following a supervised exercise program for soldiers with sub-acute and chronic low back pain

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Reviewer: Paul Bruno

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The authors have generally addressed my initial comments. Two additional comments for the authors to consider are:
1) The new stated sample size requirement indicates that 90 participants were required. However, only 85 participants completed the study. This should be highlighted in the limitations section.
2) Although there was no between-group difference in the number of sessions attended, it would be helpful to add a suggestion to future researchers in this area that the exercise "dose" be standardized.

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