Reviewer’s report

Title: Self-monitoring of Blood Glucose in Non-insulin Treated Type 2 Diabetes (The SMBG Study): Study Protocol for a Randomised Controlled Trial

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To the Authors,

Your manuscript includes a description of the rationale and design of a RCT aiming to evaluate the impact of SMBG in T2D patients. The study will compare three groups of people: control group on usual diabetes care, structured SMBG group, and a structured SMBG plus telecare support group.

It is a well-designed and well-written paper. However, its length is too long for this kind of descriptive paper and needs to be shortened. It would be appropriate if you could include a percentage of patients who achieved optimal glycemic control in each group as an additional primary outcome. Also I suggest to include BP, and change in number and type of OADs at 3,6, 9 and 12 months as secondary outcomes measures.

Reviewer

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