Reviewer’s report

Title: Factors associated with diabetes-related distress over time among patients with T2DM in a tertiary hospital in Singapore

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Diabetes Related Distress is an important and often under discussed issue.

However, there are several issues with the manuscript in its current form.

The results section is very brief and should include tables of the results as the model was developed.

Secondly the striking finding here is that of all the variables measured only HRQoL and change in EDS correlated with DRD over time....does this mean DRD is pre-determined and does not in fact relate to the patients diabetes status but instead is perception related? This needs addressing in the discussion.

Furthermore, I would like to see hospital visits included as part of the model as it could well be that clinician-patient interaction affects DRD.

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