Reviewer’s report

Title: Using the Heath Belief Model to explore why women decide for or against the removal of their ovaries to reduce their risk of developing cancer

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The authors have adequately addressed my comments.

I'm surprised at the wording of the Australian guidelines (based on decade old evidence) of 'around 40' as an appropriate age to discuss oophrectomy with BRCA patients - around 40 is open to interpretation by professionals and patients and isn't really reflective of differences in risk for BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutation carriers - see Kuchenbaeker et al: https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/fullarticle/2632503

Couple of typos:

line 528 - considerable should be considerably

line 572 - BCRA should be BRCA
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