Reviewer’s report

Title: The effects of add-on self-care education on quality of life and fatigue in gastrointestinal cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy

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Reviewer: Amal Akour

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This is a very interesting topic. The paper is well written and to-the-point. I have minor comments:

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