Reviewer’s report

Title: Training programmes to improve evidence uptake and utilisation by physiotherapists: A systematic scoping review

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Reviewer: Kristin Lo

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I have made tracked changes to the pdf version of the document. Regardless of publication status would it be possible to please to send these comments to the authors? Thank you. In essence it is an interesting scoping review that would be very beneficial to a wide range of audiences. There are a number of long sentences that just need a quick review to make the point more succinctly. There needs to be a limitations and future research section included - are the findings generalisable to other countries / settings etc? The tables need to include further data such as quality assessment score, duration of intervention eg: 1 x 60 minute session, hedges g / CI or p-values, type of study eg: RCT. I also wish to know how included studies have changed their education packages according to context as this would be helpful to inform the application of the findings to the South African (and other) context/s. There needs to be more linking to LBP if possible - might be good to include information on which CPGs were addressed by the included articles ie: were any on LBP? I think quality assessment of the included studies would definitely be helpful. I think there would be benefit in including further content on the Arksey and O'Malley framework - need to expand in methods and more specific details about who applied the inclusion / exclusion criteria etc. The tables need some slight formatting changes. Need to expand on what short term and long term outcomes are eg: 1 week post follow up and 6 months long term follow up? Need to comment on whether duration was a factor in making the intervention more effective? Thank you

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