Reviewer’s report

Title: Applications of the reflective practice questionnaire in medical education

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In my previous review, one of my main concerns referred to the theoretical background of the questionnaire. The revised version of the manuscript does not show any amendments or additions with regard to this point. I believe each publication has to speak for itself, and readers should not need to search for a previous publication to find the background literature upon which the study has been built. I also find it questionable the argument that reliability is to be investigated without concerning about validity, which is to be tested only latter.

The additional information regarding aspects of the Methods are welcome. Other problems, however, remain. For example, I find the discussion of the findings of correlation analysis (page 14) needs revision, which has not occurred. The correlations say nothing about underlying mechanisms and therefore they do not "show how RC may help…". In addition, there causality seems to be confused with correlation here.

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