Reviewer’s report

Title: Tracking physical activity using smart phone apps: Assessing the ability of a current app and systematically collecting patient recommendations for future development

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Reviewer: Chen Liang

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Thanks for the revision and authors' responses. One of the major concerns from round one review is the lack of significance and rationale of the reported study, reflected in the missing summary of related studies and the missing perspective in the state-of-the-art medical informatics studies related to mHealth of bariatric patients. Authors have made a revision, however, after careful review, there are still missing pieces in providing a strong rationale in terms of why the proposed study added important data to the literature. For example, see Bradley 2018.

In addition, upon reviewing the updated discussion, it is not significant for me as to how these principal findings fill the gaps in mHealth and a broad field of medical informatics.


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