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Title: Transitions from biomedical to recovery-oriented practices in mental health: A scoping review to explore the role of Internet-based interventions

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Page 5; lin40: Nevertheless, there currently lacks a systematic overview of Internet’s current role in advancing recovery practice, and the gaps and issues that may be addressed through alliances with other fields.

--a bit of an anthropomorphism. May wish to rephrase toward internet-based interventions rather than the internet’s current role

page 5 - definition of recovery. Quotation mark missing

page 6, first few sentences all start with "This…". change around for style/readability

page 9 - "Especially the term recovery was supplemented with related concepts such as positive psychology, empowerment, strengths, well-being and self-management"

--delete especially

page 18 - 'chip in a pill' I don't yet think is common vernacular and could benefit with a (brief explanation in brackets behind it)

Overall - a nicely written review on a topic that has yet to be systematically research/explored. A few overall comments, rather than specifics for this work: the use of e-"term" (e.g., e-recovery, e-communication, e-health) did become a bit cumbersome/overwhelming at times. I'm still not 100% clear how e-recovery is different than 'recovery' in a traditional sense (beyond an ICT being more functionality attached to the care/recovery). I believe near the end of page 7 is where the first iteration (not in the abstract) of e-recovery appears, and it is qualified as "internet based recovery-oriented interventions as e-recovery interventions". Given the strong focus on internet based recovery oriented interventions, a paragraph on what these 'look like' in a general fashion would be helpful in the background. The topic of social media, internet, and other related technology is huge. It is assumed that a reader will be able to extrapolate what this sort of e-recovery intervention is - your methods section help to better delineate your operational definition (with inclusion/exclusion around the intervention), but a bit of a descriptor of what an internet based recovery intervention 'is', would help this transition….. this is especially true, given the exclusion of video conferencing technology, which is commonly used within mental health care (and now is commonly underpinned by internet or other consumer level electronics and social media).
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