Reviewer’s report

Title: Implementing Collaborative Care to reduce depression for rural Native American/Alaska Native people

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Reviewer: Stephen Harfield

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al. Consolidated criteria for strengthening reporting of health research involving indigenous peoples: the CONSIDER statement. BMC Medical Research Methodology. 2019;19(1):173. It would provide great insight into what should be included in a manuscript that reports on research involving Indigenous populations. I'd suggest that the majority if not all of the criteria should be address in the manuscript.

Additionally, the following should be addressed.

Methods
* Should include statements on the following:
  o the significance level was set at 0.05, and data were reported with 95% confidence intervals (CIs)
  o missing and unknowns were excluded from calculations
  o logistic regression models, which values were chosen as referent and why.
* What was methodology and analysis used for the survey?

Line 30 & 31 - the use and consistency of native serving (native-serving), AI/AN serving is preferred and the full phrase should be used in the abstract.
Line 53 & 55 - AI/NA acronym and full phrase are inconsistently used.
Line 147 & 148 - change to, A secondary outcomes was defined as a change in suicidal…
Lines 153-183 - should be moved to the results section, as the previous sentence is sufficient for the methods section.
Line 229 - reference for TIDieR checklist?
Line 280 - quote reference means nothing to the reader, BH?? And are the quotes from the same individual, need to be able to make a distinction. Check all quotes.
Line 301 - "I think []CoCmis
Line 317 & 318 - [CoCM]has, and at {clinic name}
Line 401 - an extra "s"

Consistency and use of acronyms, need to ensure all are written out in full first and included in the acronyms list.

Are the methods appropriate and well described?
If not, please specify what is required in your comments to the authors.

Yes

Does the work include the necessary controls?
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No

Are the conclusions drawn adequately supported by the data shown?
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Yes

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