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point 1 - We feel that the conclusions in the abstract regarding cost-effectiveness don't accurately reflect the full picture of the results, and could be viewed as overly optimistic. Please adjust so that it better reflects the full results of the cost-effectiveness analysis.

response - we have made 2 changes to the abstract: the 'findings' section now includes that the cost difference between groups was not significant. The following sentence has been removed from the interpretation section: 'Although not clinically effective in terms of time to relapse, the cost-effectiveness analysis suggests that money was saved in the CM arm due to reductions in inpatient costs.'

We made one further change to first sentence in the discussion, paragraph 2. Previously it said that the health economics analysis could 'only be carried out for a sample of around half the participants due to attrition'. This sentence was changed to reflect that the analysis was actually carried out after imputation.