Reviewer's report

Title: Guidelines for the use of survivorship care plans: A systematic quality appraisal using the AGREE II instrument

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Reviewer: Joan Vlayen

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Dear editor, dear authors,

I really must say that the manuscript has improved substantially. The authors addressed the remarks in a very detailed way. Congratulations for the work.

For me, only one point of discussion remains (4th major compulsory revision of previous review). I think we do agree about the fact that AGREE II evaluation does not offer insight into the quality of a guideline’s recommendations. That’s in fact what I meant with my comment. That’s why I’m asking: do the guidelines agree about recommending SCP use or not? For example what about the five guidelines that you considered to be of sufficient quality: do they recommend the same? If not, I think you should clearly warn the reader about the fact that AGREE II evaluation does not offer insight into the quality of a guideline’s recommendations. And maybe, this warning should be added anyhow. This can be done in a small paragraph in the discussion.

Regards,

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I am a Board Member of the Guidelines International Network (GIN).