Reviewer’s report

Title: Walking and weakness in children: a narrative review of gait and functional ambulation in paediatric neuromuscular disease

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This manuscript presents a narrative review of the Kids, walking and weakness: a review of gait and functional ambulation in paediatric neuromuscular disease. The manuscript is poorly well written and it is unclear what this review adds to what is already known and have been published earlier. No clear research question seems to be formulated, the conclusions are unclear and other major concerns with this manuscript that make it not acceptable for publication.

My specific comments are stated below. Overall, several important issues need to be addressed and some are of methodological character which requires a considerable revision of the paper.

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