Reviewer's report

Title: CEOPS-Controlled Education Of patients after Stroke (nurse-led multimodal and long term interventional program involving a patient's caregiver to optimize secondary prevention of stroke) : study protocol for a randomized controlled trial

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The protocol for the CEOPS trial is presented. The study is novel and potentially will reveal results which could improve long term secondary prevention of patients with stroke. However, some further detail would be useful on the following aspects: 1. how is the family care giver chosen/selected? 2. how will the nurse communicate with the family care giver? 3. how are the components of the intervention costed for the purposes of medico-economic analysis? Please expand on references 21, 22, 23 (studies highlighting the roles of family care-givers) in the background section as this is important rationale for the CEOPS trial. Lastly there are frequent typographical errors and the language needs editing and condensing in places.

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