Reviewer’s report

Title: Are we missing opportunities? Physiotherapy and physical activity promotion: a cross-sectional survey.

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Reviewer: Clare Killingback

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Many thanks for asking me to review this submission. This is an interesting and well-written study which sought to understand Australian physiotherapists' knowledge of the Australian physical activity and sedentary behaviour guidelines and the factors associated with physical activity promotion. I suggest several minor comments which may enhance the manuscript.

Background - Given the international readership of the journal it may be helpful to state somewhere in the background exactly what the Australian PA and sedentary behaviour guidelines are. These can vary from country to country so would help set the context of the study. It would also be important to state the age group of the guidelines under consideration, for example, is this for children, adults or older adults as these often differ slightly.

Line 47 - Could the authors add a comment on whether these studies increased PA and reduced sedentary behaviour in the short or long-term? This would be an important clarification since to gain the benefits of PA it must be sustained.

Methods

Lines 88-90. This was a long sentence so difficult to follow. I suggest a minor edit to increase the readability.

Line 96 - State was not included. Does this mean Australian state? It isn't quite clear. If so why were they not included?

Results

Line 107 - again which guideline? Adult, older adult etc.

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