Reviewer’s report

Title: Patient and Public Engagement in Integrated Knowledge Translation Research: Are we there yet?

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Reviewer: David Evans

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Thank you for your revisions which have largely addressed my previous comments. There are still a few amendments which I think would improve the paper.

I previously commented that I thought you addressed the complexities of the terminology of patient engagement too late in the paper and you have moved this discussion forward to p 10, but I think it should still be earlier, ideally integrated with your introduction of patient engagement on p 5.

The new text on p 12 which talks about the impact of patient engagement in research being unclear appears rather contradictory with the text on p 11 above which speaks of its benefits.

The text in red on p12 speaks of Mockford et al 2012 as 'more recently' than Brett et al 2012 when obviously it was later.

You mention the GRIPP checklist but it would be better to reference the more recent and much more comprehensive GRIPP 2 (Staniszewska et al 2017).

You give an incorrect reference number in the text to the GRIPP checklist on at least two occasions, and some other references are also incorrectly numbered. There is no reference 92 in the references list. You need to double check all the reference numbers in the text against the reference list as I suspect a number of links have changed because of your revisions.

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