Reviewer's report

Title: The teaching of strategies for coping with stress: an experience with medical students

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Reviewer's comments:
The purpose of the paper is clear and is set within the wider context of BMC Medical Education.
I have a few minor suggestions/comments for alterations.

Minor essential revisions:
1. Abstract: Mention where Federal University of Goias is located (place & country). Mention this even in the last paragraph of the ‘introduction’ section and the second paragraph of the ‘methodology’ section.
2. Methodology: Avoid the term “action-research” study. I am not entirely sure that “action-research” study is the correct description for this study. Provide a more suitable simple alternative term acceptable to all.
3. Methodology: Kindly describe (in brief) the medical curriculum at Federal University of Goias, Brazil. Add a note on sample selection & size.
4. Discussion-last paragraph: Syntax of the sentence should be specifically taken care of.

Major compulsory revisions:
1. Discussion: The ‘discussion’ section needs to be strengthened revolving round the results of the study.
2. Limitations of the study should be clearly stated.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:
I do not have any competing interests in relation to the aforementioned paper.