

**NURSING RESEARCH REVIEW FORM**

1st Review

Manuscript # 2004/099  
Manuscript title: Treatment fidelity in behavior change research: A case example  
Manuscript type: Methods  
Number of text pgs.: 10  
Number of figures: 0  
Number of tables: 5  
Reviewer: Beverly L. Roberts  
Stat reviewer assigned?: No -- do you recommend a stat reviewer?

**Please evaluate the following with these choices: (1) adequate, (2) inadequate (describe in written review) or (3) not appropriate (describe in written review)**

Problem statement: 1  
Attention to relevant literature: 1  
Theoretical framework: 1  
Research design: 1  
Data analysis: 1  
Discussion of results: 1  
Organization: 1  
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This is an extremely important and often ignored topic. Treatment fidelity is essential for the assessment of the effects of experimental interventions, and the authors clearly and completely delineate the criteria for treatment fidelity and use their research effectively to demonstrate how each of these criteria can be implemented.