PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Scientific quality	[ ] Grade A: Excellent　[Y] Grade B: Very good　[ ] Grade C: Good [ ] Grade D: Fair　[ ] Grade E: Do not publish
Novelty of this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent　[Y] Grade B: Good　[ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No novelty
Creativity or innovation of this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent　[Y] Grade B: Good　[ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No creativity or innovation

Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair [ ] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [Y] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection
Re-review	[Y] Yes [ ] No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [ ] Onymous
	Conflicts-of-Interest: [ ] Yes [Y] No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I read with great interest the Manuscript titled "Effect of group cognitive behavioral therapy on rehabilitation of community schizophrenic patients-a short-Term Randomized Control Trail", which falls within the aim of World Journal of Psychiatry. In my honest opinion, the topic is interesting and the Randomized Control Trail is novel enough to attract the readers' attention. This study assessed the effectiveness of G-CBT combined with mental health education as a treatment for schizophrenia compared with single mental health education. Their data support the view that G-CBT combined with mental health education improves clinical symptoms and psychosocial rehabilitation outcomes for people with schizophrenia in the community. Nevertheless, the authors should clarify some points and improve the discussion citing relevant key articles about the topic. SPECIFIC COMMENTS: Discussion could be improved (which would enhance readability and flow).

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In this study, Xuelian Chen and his colleagues evaluated the impact on the clinical symptoms, cognitive function, social function and psychological status of schizophrenic patients through the implementation of G-CBT combined with mental health education on patients and their families on the basis of conventional drug treatment, so as to provide basis for the application of community rehabilitation. The article provides an essential reference for researchers in this field and the results are interesting and could be useful for other studies. The discussion section is well written. The authors clarified some points and cite relevant and novel key articles on the subject to discuss their findings. I have a minor suggestion: Regarding the limitations of the article, Finally, this study is a cross-sectional study. According to the authors, the article is a randomized controlled study, not a cross-sectional study, and the shift mentioned here is also that not caused by complete double blindness. In addition, it would be better to add some more background introduction. I recommend that the manuscript can be published.