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| Book Name: | [**An Overview of Disease and Health Research**](https://bookstore.bookpi.org/product/an-overview-of-disease-and-health-research-vol-1/) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_BPR\_5564** |
| Title of the Manuscript:  | **Massage in Medical Practice: Techniques for Enhancing Patient Outcomes** |
| Type of the Article | **Book Chapter** |

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| PART 1: Comments |
|  | Reviewer’s comment**Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | Author’s Feedback *(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | The topic is relevant, appropriate, applicable and affordable in some instances and the scientific community may have a renewed energy in the area of therapeutic medical support. |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?****(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | * The current title may imply that the chapter is about massage techniques only.
* Hence one may consider an alternative title which is more encompassing.
* Suggeted title: Massage therapy for better patient outcome in medical practice.
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| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | The abstract is comprehensive enough because it offers the background, relevancy, purpose, methods and key findings and concludes concisely. |  |
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* Some of the references were peer-reviewed recently and published in interanational journals.
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| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.****-** | The majority of references are old and this can be improved upon. Ideally the majority should be under 5 years. Refrences of more than 10 years old could be used if they were a landmark paper. * Less than 10 years old =3 references
* 11-15 years old = 3 references
* 16-20 years old =5 references
* More than 20 years = 2 references.

Total = 13 references.  |  |
| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | Yes, the grammar is correct and there are no spelling or syntax mistakes. |  |
| Optional/General comments | * Please, have a look at no. 6 in the manuscript. Integrating massage into medical practice.
* That may include referral systems, patient education and consent and documentation of sessions, treatment goals, patient responses and other integrated therapies for the continuity of care.
* Although the references used are relevant, the majority are old.
* Reference no. 3 is 60 years old. The manuscript may be accepted on the condition that the majority of references are updated and be under 10 years old.
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