

Author's response to reviews

Title: Decision aids for respite service choices by carers of people with dementia: development and pilot RCT

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To: Editor BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making
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Thank you for accepting our paper "Decision aids for respite service choices by carers of people with dementia: development and pilot RCT" for publication with your journal BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making. The paper is based on the development and trial of an innovative decision aid. We believe the aid is innovative and the reviewers both agree that this is an article of importance in its field. We believe the results suggest that decision aid development into this area could be beneficial for carers.

We have added the following comment recommended by reviewer Two on page 16 "The results did not reach statistical significance." We have checked the formatting and adjusted the spacing used in headings to match that required by the journal. We felt all other aspects of our style matched that required by your journal.

We look forward to a publication date.

Yours Sincerely

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