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Dear Editor,

We are pleased to submit the manuscript "*Tobacco cessation clinical practice guidelines in rural and urban hospitals: A pre-implementation nursing needs assessment*" for your review and consideration for publication as an original research contribution in *BMC Nursing*.

We believe the article will be of interest to your readers because it involves a pre-program evaluation designed to precede knowledge translation of tobacco clinical practice guidelines into daily nursing practice. The study involves a survey consultation with nurses to determine what they believed they should be doing in terms of providing tobacco cessation interventions consistent with nursing best practices, what they were doing in practice, and what they perceived as facilitators and barriers to intervening. The outcomes were used to design an intervention and training. This work has not been previously published nor is it being considered for publication anywhere else.

I will be the corresponding author on this submission. I am on sabbatical so my university email has an automatic "out of office" response although I will be reading emails and will especially looking forward to a response from your journal. However, I will be out of the country and unavailable during the month of April 2011.

Thank you for considering this manuscript.

Sincerely,

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