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Subject: Additional information about the manuscript: Improving person-centred care in nursing homes through dementia-care mapping: design of a cluster-randomised controlled trial.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Last May we submitted our manuscript Improving person-centred care in nursing homes through dementia-care mapping: design of a cluster-randomised controlled trial to the journal BMC Geriatrics. We received an email in which you ask to provide some additional information.

You ask to clarify whether we have external funding and ethical approval. Our study is externally funded by a major funding body: ZonMw. The Dutch approval letter of the funding can be found in the attached files. The ethical committee Arnhem-Nijmegen waived approval
for this study. If you need evidence of this, please let us know. Furthermore, the trial is registered at www.trialregister.nl, which is a trail register that meets all your guidelines. There are no other manuscripts under submission based on this study protocol.

We hope that we provided all information needed, in order to progress the further process.

We look forward to your kind consideration of the manuscript.

Yours faithfully, on behalf of the other authors,

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- Manuscript \textit{Improving person-centred care in nursing homes through dementia-care mapping: design of a cluster-randomised controlled trial.}
- ZonMw funding approval letter