Author's response to reviews

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Dear Liz Hoffman,

First of all, we are delighted that you have decided to accept our paper for publication in BMC geriatrics. We have responded to the formatting changes that were requested by the editorial production team:

The list of authors in the manuscript are now written exactly as they are in the submission system. Els van den Ende has been changed in Cornelia van den Ende.

The authors’ qualifications (e.g. PhD / MD) from the manuscript and submissions system are removed.

The reference contains all authors, The term 'et al.' has been replaced by the fourth and fifth author.

Table placement texts throughout the manuscript have been removed.

Furthermore, the sentence on page 16: “There are, however, no reasons to expect systematic differences in the severity of the medical problems between the 15 resident populations” was not understood by referent 2 and has been changed into: “There are, however, no reasons to expect systematic differences in the severity of the medical problems between the residents populations of the 15 nursing homes.”

For any questions you can turn to Ms. Chantal Leemrijse.

On behalf of all authors,

Yours sincerely,

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