Author's response to reviews

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Dear Editor:

Thank you for the request for modification to the manuscript:

Please clarify what ethical approval was obtained for the use of the data in your study. A statement regarding ethics must appear in the Methods section of the manuscript, including the name of the body which gave approval, with a reference number where appropriate.

To address this, we have included the following statement as the second sentence in the methods section of our manuscript:

Patients accessing care at SAC sign a voluntary informed consent form allowing administrative data to be used in research projects as approved by the University of Calgary Ethics Committee.

Kind regards,
Reed Siemieniuk