Author's response to reviews

Title: Invasive pneumococcal infections among persons with and without underlying medical conditions: implications for prevention strategies

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The Editor,

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Dear Dr. Norton,

Enclosed is a revised version of our manuscript titled “Invasive pneumococcal infections among persons with and without underlying medical conditions: implications for prevention strategies” (MS: 2062356805195363), which we would like to resubmit for publication in the *BMC Infectious Diseases* in the category of research article. We appreciated the reviewers’ comments and have made the requested change. A detailed response to the comment by reviewer 3 is included in point-to-point format. We have also made the changes to the format of the manuscript requested by the Editorial Production Team.

Thank you for considering this paper for the *BMC Infectious Diseases*. Please address correspondence regarding this manuscript at the address below.

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A response to the comment by reviewer 3

Reviewer 3: Åke Örtqvist

Reviewer’s report:

The manuscript is now fully acceptable. I have only one question referring the last reference (No. 45), which does not concern the situation in Europe, but the etiology of CAP in Chile, and does not refer to the effects of pneumococcal conjugate vaccination - this must be a mistake?

RESPONSE:

Reference #45 was erroneous due to a mistake. It is now replaced by the correct reference: