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Dear Dr Henderson, executive editor of BMC Nephrology,

Please find enclosed our revised manuscript entitled: “Impact of prior CKD management in a renal care network on early outcomes in incident dialysis patients”. We have addressed the editorial points and made the following changes:

- We added the following sentence (line 5, page 5): “The local ethical committee (Comité de protection des personnes SUD-EST IV, Lyon, France) approved the study protocol. The committee did not recommend obtaining informed consent from patients enrolled in this study because the data were analysed anonymously.”
- We revised all statistical reporting and results
- We removed the additional file from the upload
- We formatted the manuscript in accordance with the journal recommendations

Yours sincerely,

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