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Dear Ms Abigail

Please find enclosed the revised version of the manuscript MS: 1737266958937467

Antenatal education and the birthing experience of Brazilian women: a qualitative study.

The modifications made in the manuscript are in red.

Minor amendments

Introduction
Line 6 – change ‘practice’ to ‘practise’ done

Line 7 – ‘There is evidence on the need’ change to ‘There is evidence of the need’ done

P2, last sentence, first paragraph – change ‘practiced’ to ‘practised’ done

Methods
Line 3 – settings’ – remove apostrophe done

‘… people, focuses emotions’ change to ‘… people, focuses on emotions’ done

Line 4 – the participants’ – change to the participant’s done

Line 6-7, change ‘engaging phenomenological approach’ to “engaging a
phenomenological approach,’ done

Page 3, 2nd sentence – ‘… permitted to hear the stories women told and to explore’ – change to ‘… allowed the stories women told to be heard and to explore’ done

Study sample
2nd line – Change ‘00study’ to ‘study’ done
Line 5 – change ‘Those who gave a positive answer signed’ to “Those who agreed were asked to sign..’ done

P4 – ‘without receiving any anaesthetics’ x2 – was this epidural or spinal analgesia? please clarify done

2nd paragraph – ‘women of the intervention group’ change to ‘women in the intervention group (IG)’ done
‘Practiced’ x2, change to ‘practised’ done
‘In addition to routine of antenatal care’ change to ‘In addition to routine antenatal care’

3rd paragraph – ‘women of the control group (CG) of the RCT received routine prenatal care’ change to ‘women in the control group (CG) received the same routine antenatal care’ done
Line 5 – change ‘meetings were information’ to ‘meetings where information’ done

Last line – ‘provided on volunteer…’, not clear what volunteer means, do you mean on a voluntary basis (that the people running it are not paid to do so) done

Page 5, line 3, ‘… preferences … by the institution during labour and delivery’ change to ‘… preferences … by the institution to be with the woman during labour and delivery’ done

Data collection
Line 6 – ‘… maternity ward were the study …’ change to ‘… maternity ward where the study …’ done

Last line – ‘the interviews referred to women’s…’ change to ‘the interviews that referred to women’s…’ done

Results
P6 – Introduce and list the categories before discussing them done

P7 – Line 2 -‘Also they referred having felt’ change to ‘Also they referred to having felt’ done

4th paragraph, line 2, ‘or all of the time during of labour’ delete ‘of’ done
Line 4 – ‘maintaining the upright positions’ change to ‘maintaining the upright position’ done

P8, Line 5 – ‘referred difficulties’ change to ‘referred to difficulties’ done

P9, Line 7 – ‘The entire woman’ change to ‘All of the women’ done

Last paragraph, line 1 – ‘… did not participate of a systematic’ change to ‘… did not participate in a systematic’ – also make the same change in line 1, paragraph 5, p11, and p12, paragraph 1, line 4 (discussion) done

Discussion

Last line first paragraph ‘… to maintain control’, change to ‘… maintaining control’

P13, paragraph 3, line 4, ‘… physiotherapists who did not have a special training’ delete ‘a’. done

P14. First paragraph, line 4, ‘… vertical positions spend …’ change to ‘… vertical positions spent …’ done

Paragraph 2, line 2, change ‘C-section’ to ‘Caesarean section’ done

Line 5/6 ‘Women in the present study’ delete ‘in the present study’ done

Line 7 – ‘to use’ change to ‘using’ done

Line 8 – ‘in setting were’ change to ‘in setting where’ done

Paragraph 3, Line 2, change ‘were’ to ‘where’, delete ‘of the present study’ done

Line 3 – ‘When during labor spinal anesthesia is performed is depends of the decision of the anesthetic or …’ change to ‘The decision about when spinal anesthesia is performed in labour is made by the anesthetic or …’ done

Tables

Table 1 – Insert total n (n=XX) at the top of both columns done

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