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Title: Incidence, determinants and perinatal outcomes of near miss maternal morbidity in Ile-Ife Nigeria: a prospective case control study.

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I, Adeoye Ikeola, on behalf of the other authors (Adedeji Onayade & Adesegun Fatusi) wish to submit this revised publication to your online journal – BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth.

Title of Publication: Incidence, determinants and perinatal outcomes of near miss maternal morbidity in south western Nigeria: a prospective case control study.

Reasons why it should be published in BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth:

This original research is related to pregnancy and childbirth; specifically it explored life-threatening complications in pregnancy and childbirth in Nigeria, a country with one of the highest burden of maternal mortality globally. A study on the determinants of near miss which sought to identify the important risk factors for life threatening complications in Nigeria is imperative for policy formulation as well as the implementation of important public and medical interventions against maternal ill health in Nigeria. So far, there is only one published article on near miss in Nigeria (Oladapo et al) and none on its determinants. Finally, BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth is a journal that can be accessed by health workers and researchers in developing countries online and free of charge. Thus, we believe that publishing in the journal will make our work readily accessible and on timely basis, thereby increasing its potential to influence relevant actions.

Revision of Manuscript

All the aspects of the paper have been rewritten including the title which is now – Incidence, determinants and perinatal outcome. Therefore there has been a major revision of all aspects and content of this manuscript – Title, abstract, background, methods, results, discussion, references and conclusion. Hence, this current manuscript is sent to place the previous one.

Thank you and we hope to receive a favourable response.

Yours faithfully,

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