Author's response to reviews

Title: A study protocol of a randomised controlled trial to investigate if a community based strength training program improves work task performance in young adults with Down syndrome

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Dear Ms Titmus,

**Re: MS: 1743310127359388. Resubmission to BMC Pediatrics**

Thank you for considering our manuscript entitled ‘A study protocol of a randomised controlled trial to investigate if a community based strength training program improves work task performance in young adults with Down syndrome’ for publication in *BMC Pediatrics*.

We have revised our manuscript as follows:

1. **COMMENTS: Please be sure to clarify and document ethical approval and informed consent within the Methods section of your manuscript.**
   
   RESPONSE: We have included an additional paragraph under the heading of ‘research design’ in the methods section that lists the committees from which ethics approval was obtained and outlines the informed consent process for the trial. This new paragraph is highlighted in yellow.

2. **COMMENTS: Please remove ethical approval documentation and funding documentation from the additional files.**
   
   RESPONSE: We have removed both of these documents from the additional files.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me as corresponding author either at the address above, by telephone (+61 3 9479 5852) or via e-mail (n.shields@latrobe.edu.au)

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Nora Shields