Author's response to reviews

Title: Pediatrists' perspectives on the impact of MRSA in primary care: a qualitative study

Authors:

Adam L Hersh (hershad@peds.ucsf.edu)
Michael D Cabana (cabanam@peds.ucsf.edu)
Ralph Gonzales (ralphg@medicine.ucsf.edu)
Budd N Shenkin (bshenkin@pol.net)
Christine S Cho (ccho.email@gmail.com)

Version: 3 Date: 6 April 2009

Author's response to reviews: see over
March 12, 2009

To: Rikki Graham, PhD, Senior Assistant Editor, BMC-Series Journals
Re: MS: 1838549128234641 to BMC Pediatrics

Dear Dr. Graham,

We look forward to publishing our work in *BMC Pediatrics*. We are enclosing a finalized version of the manuscript that addresses the formatting requirements.

- For reference 6, we added the web link as suggested.
- Reference 11 is still in press. Our understanding is that it will be published in the May/June 2009 issue of *Academic Pediatrics*, however, this has not been finalized.
- We revised the title according the formatting requirements.
- We added the email addresses to the title page.
- We revised the figure to minimize the white space by expanding it.
- We labeled the figure and referred to it as Figure 1.

Several very minor wording changes were made based on a final review of the manuscript.

- Page 5, Methods section: changed “is a city of 110,000 …” to “is a city with 110,000 …”
- Page 8, Results section, subheading Surgical Management: changed “in their practice, …” to “in their practices, …”
- Page 9, Results section, subheading Surgical Management: changed “a couple of participants …” to “a few participants …”
- Page 13, Results section, subheading Surgical Management: changed “in everyday practice.” to “in routine practice.”
- Page 16, Discussion section: changed “Additionally, gaining more insight …” to “Gaining more insight …”
Page 16, Discussion section: added the following sentence following the sentence immediately following the sentence referred to in prior bullet: “Additionally, the impact of new legislation mandating MRSA screening for hospital admissions in many states (including California) on public perceptions about MRSA remains unknown.”

Thank you again for the opportunity to publish our work in your journal.

Sincerely,

Adam L. Hersh