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Thank you for the opportunity to make revisions our manuscript entitled “Differences in Risk Factors for Children With Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Receiving Needed Specialty Care by Socioeconomic Status (MS:3173576532175765).

We thank the reviewers for their thoughtful and helpful comments. We have addressed the revisions required by both reviewers and incorporated them in the manuscript. Our responses to the reviewers are detailed on the following page.

We appreciate your support of our research and look forward to your response to the revised manuscript.

Sincerely,

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**Reviewer: Ashley Skinner**

Major compulsory revisions:

Discussion:

Several lines of text have been added to this section to address the question regarding importance and policy implications of the finding regarding maternal education in the lowest income stratum.

The comment regarding the minor finding regarding age for the higher income stratum is noted and both the results section on page 9 the discussion on page 11 have been revised accordingly. We also made a revision to the first paragraph on page 13 for a similar reason.

We have corrected the order of the citations.

Methods: In the methods section conceptual model a sentence and reference has been added regarding the differences by age and income by state for Medicaid and SCHIP.

**Reviewer: Michael Ganz**

Minor revisions:

The information regarding the percentage of cases with responses used in the analysis has been added on page 8.

The % in parens on the 9th line of the Results section has been corrected.

The language regarding geographical associations on page 9 has been revised as required.