Author's response to reviews

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Dear Editor of the Journal

Thank you very much for the constructive comments we received. We have tried to accommodate all the comments and advises given by the reviewers in the current manuscript. We have tried to summarize our responses and actions case by case as follows. The draft manuscript was also reviewed by native English speaker. We look forward for your feedback.

| The focus on health services accessibility has to be well underlined. | This has been discussed. And the methodological limitation for not making direct comparison was also included in the limitations. |
| Figures 1 – author can remove the percentage from the bar to give a clear removed |
| Table 2- * ** foot notes missing; Reference value of odds ratio for ever vaccinated group is to be checked. | Checked and corrections were made |
| Under study population (page 5, last paragraph): for each identified case 2 controls were chosen – it should be three | Corrected |