Author's response to reviews

Title: Perceived risks and benefits of cigarette smoking among Nepalese adolescents: A population-based cross-sectional study

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Dear Editorial Board,

I herewith resubmit our revised manuscript ID: 1616831795829147 entitled “Perceived risks and benefits of cigarette smoking among Nepalese adolescents: A population-based cross-sectional study” by myself, Alexandra Krettek and Max Petzold.

We have carefully addressed all concerns and criticisms that were raised by both Reviewers. A point-by-point response for each is attached to our submission. Additionally, the concerns raised by the Editorial board have been met as follows:

1. Copyediting: After reading through your manuscript, we feel that the quality of written English needs to be improved before the manuscript can be considered further. We advise you to seek the assistance of a fluent English speaking colleague, or to have a professional editing service correct your language. Please ensure that particular attention is paid to the abstract. Similar to our original submission to BMC Public Health, the revised manuscript has again been edited by our scientific editor, Karen Williams of Kwills Editing Services, which is located near Boston, MA, USA. We have maintained a longstanding collaboration with Karen for the past 10 years. Karen is a native English speaker with almost 20 years editing experience (among them, 10 years for Harvard Medical School). Because she edited both our original submission and this revised manuscript, we believe that we have addressed any concerns in relation to language issues from the outset. Karen also edited our recently published article: “Establishing a health demographic surveillance site in Bhaktapur district, Nepal: initial experiences and findings” (BMC Research Notes 2012; 5:489).

2. Authors' information: Please check the instructions for authors on the journal website for the correct format to use for Authors' Contributions. We apologize for this oversight. We have rewritten this section according to journal instructions.

3. Please re-allocate the Tables after the References. As suggested, we moved the Tables to conform to journal style.

All of us have approved submission of the revised manuscript. The manuscript has not been published previously and is not being considered for publication, elsewhere, either in whole or in part or in any language. We hope that the revised manuscript is now suitable for publication in BMC Public Health.

Sincerely,

Umesh Raj Aryal