Author's response to reviews

Title: Prevalence and associated factors for hypertension among adults Kabul citizens- Afghanistan, 2012

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Cover Letter for revised version

Dear Editor in Chief,

Please find enclosed the revised version of our manuscript “Prevalence and associated factors for hypertension among adults Kabul citizens—Afghanistan, 2012” by Khwaja Mir Islam Saeed et al which we would like to submit for publication as an original research article in Biomed Central Public Health. To our knowledge this is the first report showing the prevalence and associated risk factors for hypertension in Kabul the capital of Afghanistan. We believe our findings would appeal to the leadership of Biomed Central Public Health.

The following changes have been made in this revised version:

1. The demographic description of the Kabul city is brought in the document as requested and it has properly referenced at the end.
2. The justification of difference of male and female in the study is also described in response to question of editors.
3. The sample selection and technique is enriched in revised version of the manuscript.
4. All the documents have been formatted using 12 points Times New Roman and double space writing.
5. The paper has been copy edited by a native English Speaker who is technical in research and epidemiology as well
6. All variables have been changed to categorical variables and then they have been analyzed using SPSS 20 version. We have not conducted the correlation for continuous variables because there are few of them. If still it is required we will do it for continuous variable such as age, BMI versus Systolic Blood Pressure.
7. We have added the portions of competing interests, authors contribution and acknowledgements in the revised version based on instruction
8. We have made the references consistent as well

We would like to confirm that our manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. All authors have approved the revised manuscript and agree with its submission to Biomed central public health.

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Sincerely,

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