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Title: What have we learned about communication inequalities during the H1N1 pandemic? A systematic review of the literature

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Re: Manuscript Submission

Dear Editor,

I am submitting, on behalf of all authors, the manuscript entitled “What have we learned about communication inequalities during the H1N1 pandemic? A systematic review of the literature” to be considered for publication as a Research Article of the journal, BMC Public Health.

The article examines the extent to which communications in Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) has received attention by the scientific community during the response to the recent H1N1 pandemic. It describes current research in the area of communications in PHEP focusing on communication inequalities and their links to specific communications and preparedness outcomes. We believe our manuscript is important in this area and the findings could help effectively achieve communication and preparedness outcomes and provide useful information to the practitioners developing communication messages during the response to a public health emergency.

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I look forward to hearing from your team.

Best regards,

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