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Dear editorial board of *BMC Public Health*,

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding the paper titled: “Physical fitness and mental health impact of a sport-for-development intervention in a post-conflict setting: randomised controlled trial nested within an observational study of adolescents in Gulu, Uganda”. We have addressed your editorial request and included the following text in the second paragraph of the “Study setting and participants” section of the Methods:

*During the week prior to the designated assessment day all participants were informed of the measurement process and provided with written information to take home to their parents/guardians. Opt-out consent was obtained from all participants and their parents/guardians either verbally or by using a form that was attached to the study information sheet.*

We agree that this was an important issue to directly address in the manuscript and we are grateful to the editorial board for pointing out this omission. We hope that this brings the manuscript up to a standard that is suitable for publication in BMC Public Health. If you have any further concerns or queries please contact me via email on justin.a.richards@gmail.com.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Justin Richards, on behalf of the authors