Author's response to reviews

Title: Patterns of delays amongst pulmonary tuberculosis patients in Lagos, Nigeria.

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Revisions made to Manuscript:

A. Major:

1. We have now included, compared and discussed the study by Enwuru et al including it in the introduction and discussion
2. Both sputum positive and sputum negative patients were included in the study as explained in the Methodology section

B. Minor

1. Abstract: The sentence has been clarified to read longitudinal recruitment using a health worker administered protocol
2. The sentence to be modified has been dealt with
3. The P value now reads <=0.001
4. Delay by patients in Discussion section has been modified and made clearer
5. Reference 5 has been rechecked and typing error removed
6. Table 1 is now Table 2 and more descriptive title given
7. Table 2 is now table 3 and a more descriptive title given

C. Discretionary

1. The first paragraph is now shortened, HIV details have been deleted
2. Newer references are used, 10 new references have been utilised including those suggested by the reviewer
3. A new table giving socio-demographic characteristics is now created
4. Positive contact is explained: it refers to exposure to someone with a history of chronic cough
5. As explained in 2 above, newer references have been used

This is to thank the reviewer for enriching and making the manuscript better

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