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Dear Mr Todd:

Enclosed you will find a second revision of our manuscript, “The association between Colombian medical students’ healthy personal habits and a positive attitude toward preventive counseling: cross-sectional analyses”. We are delighted to hear that the manuscript is, in principle, accepted for publication in BMC Public Health. We have corrected (and highlighted) the minor editorial concerns raised by the reviewer and have ensured that the manuscript conforms to all of the formatting checklist points. Our responses to the reviewers comments are presented below.

Reviewer # 2
Comments to Author:

The authors have mostly dealt with the issues raised by the reviewers.
Minor essential revisions
However, there remains an uncorrected punctuation error relating to the lack of a
hyphen in an adjectival phrase used in the MS, namely: "first and fifth-year students" or similar.
Throughout, the initial "first" should take the same form as "fifth-" (i.e. "first- and fifth-year students"). It (or other words so used) requires a hyphen because it is part of an adjectival phrase, even if it has been truncated.

Authors’ Response:

We have corrected these punctuation errors throughout the manuscript.