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Dear Editors of *BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders*

I am submitting the revised version of the manuscript “*Avoidable costs of physical treatments for chronic back, neck and shoulder pain within the Spanish National Health Service: a cross-sectional study*” (no. 4915369405835320) for your consideration.

The authors thank the Editors for the acceptance of the paper and the reviewers for their comments and valuable suggestions one more time. We have edited the manuscript as it was required to follow the journal style and typos were corrected. In the next pages we describe the changes made point-by-point.

Thank you very much for your attention to our submission.

Sincerely,

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Changes made in the manuscript:

1. We have corrected a typo in the fax in the author’s corresponding affiliation: Fax: +34-922475768 (correct) instead of Fax: +34-922475758 (wrong). We are very sorry for this.

2. Competing interests: “or” instead of “o” in the second line.

3. We have added a number and volume in the references list as it was required. However, we have not modified the Cochrane Systematic Reviews’ references because these are not publications in regular journals with volumes and numbers but a database of reviews with four issues a year. We have written the issue (1, 2, 3 or 4) in parentheses as it is in Pubmed.

4. We have checked the references and the place in the text where they are cited. We made a mistake in the previous submission but now all references are listed in the order they appear in the text. Being more specific: old references 65-67 (Kovacs 2002; Urrutia 2004; Corcoll 2006) are now 58-60; and in consequence 58-64 are now 61-67; 68-73 in the previous manuscript submitted by authors keep this numeration.

5. Table 1: Following the example by the Editors we have written “superscript” instead of the symbol “†” in 3 cells.

6. We are submitting a new version of the additional file 1 (“Search strategy”) because in the previous one some words were written in Spanish.