Author's response to reviews

Title: Socioeconomic differences in self-rated oral health and dental care utilisation after the dental care reform in 2008 in Sweden

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Further editorial revisions;

I would just recommend two tiny alterations:

1. The title - the spelling of 'complimentary' is incorrect. I think the authors mean 'complementary' as in the main text. It might be worth adding a sentence in the text to explain by the reforms in Sweden are referred to as 'complementary' - although the authors describe them well, it seems a bit odd to call them 'complementary'.

Our comment: Thank you for observing the error. We have discussed this issue and since it really was a dental care reform and not just a complement to a previous reform - although there was a dental care insurance system even before the reform in 2008 - we have deleted the term ‘complementary’ from the title, abstract and text to avoid confusion.

2. In the abstract, line 40, 'absence of dental care' is referred to. When you read the abstract alone from the text (as many people will do), this is difficult to know what this represents. Rephrasing this in terms of the variable used in the study would make the abstract easier to understand.

Our comment: ‘Absence of dental care’ has been replaced by ‘having refrained from dental treatment for financial reasons’ which is the variable used.