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Dear Editor and referees

We are pleased to see that two out of three referees now approve our manuscript. We thank you once again for the useful comments and suggestions to improve our manuscript, and we have changed the article according to them.

Below are our comments to the referee’s comments. Our comments are written in red.

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The conclusion of this paper, "The results from this study show that there seems to be a positive impact on bereavement associated with spouses having been able to do something and that they have been able to fulfil the wishes of their loved one" is still overly concluded from scientific point of view. The main result of this study was identification of four main categories (Degree of involvement, Positive and Negative impact and Prerequisites) and there were no outcome variables. The authors should claim the implication of the getting these four categories on the issues in recent literatures and should not claim any recommendation for clinical practice based on the study's results as conclusion.

We understand and accept the objections and have changed the abstract, the conclusion and the end of the discussion in concordance with the above comment.