Author's response to reviews

Title: Influences on visit retention in clinical trials: Insights from qualitative research during the VOICE trial in Johannesburg, South Africa

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Dear Editors,

We are delighted that you have accepted our manuscript for publication with the two editorial changes which we have incorporated into our latest draft.

We have made the following changes to the manuscript:
1. On page 7, line 24-25 we have added the following sentence:
   Our research adheres to the standards contained in the Qualitative Research Review Guidelines (RATS) (http://www.biomedcentral.com/authors/rats).

2. On the page following the conclusions we have included a list of abbreviations as follows:
   LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS
   ARV: Antiretroviral
   CRF: Case Record Form
   EI: Ethnographic interview
   FGD: Focus group discussions
   HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus
   ICR: Inter-Coder Reliability
   IDI: In-Depth Interview
   MTN: Microbicide Trial Network
   NIH: National Institutes of Health
   NIAID: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
   NICHD: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
NIMH: National Institute of Mental Health
OCTAVE: Office of AIDS Research-supported Online Collaborative Training for AIDS Vaccine Evaluation
PrEP: Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis
PUEV: Product Use End Visit
SAS: Statistical Analysis System (Software)
UKaid: United Kingdom Aid
USD: United States Dollar
VOICE: Vaginal and Oral Interventions to Curb the Epidemic
Wits RHI: Wits Reproductive Health and HIV Institute
ZAR: South African Rand

In addition we have made 2 smaller editorial changes:
On page 8, line 22 changed lowercase n to uppercase N: (N=252).
On page 17, Line 18: replaced 'ARV' with 'antiretroviral (ARV)'

Thank you and best wishes

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