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The Editor  
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Dear Editor,

We hereby submit a revision for the submitted article, “The Psychophysiological Effects of Tai-chi and Exercise in Residential Schizophrenic Patients: A 3-arm Randomized Controlled Trial” to be considered for publication in BMC Complementary and Alternative Medicine.

We address the editorial office’s concerns in the following ways:

1. Ethical and Funding Approval Documentation -- Copy of the Ethical Approval Form for the study, issued by the Institutional Review Board of the University of Hong Kong/ Hospital Authority Hong Kong West Cluster (UW 11-481), has been sent to Journal Editorial Office at BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com. Since this is a direct funding from the government research grant council (RGC), we do not have a letter of approval but we have documentation in the system. The document has also been sent to the editorial office at above email address.

2. Funding -- We’ve specified explicitly at the Competing Interest section (p.16) in
the manuscript that the study is funded by the RGC with reference number included.

3. Study Status -- We are now in the progress of analyzing the data.

4. Related Articles -- We don't have any journal articles published yet. We only have conference poster presentations.

5. Adherence to the Helsinki Declaration -- We've specified at the Methods section of the manuscript that the study is conducted in compliance with the Helsinki Declaration (p.8) and have given the name of the body which gave ethical approval (p.8).

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

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