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Dear Editors,

Thank you for accepting our paper titled: Improving education in primary care: development of an online curriculum using the blended learning model for publication in BMC Medical Education Journal.

We are responding to your recent formatting requests and have made the necessary changes to our article. Below is the list of things you requested along with a comment on how we addressed these concerns. We have resubmitted the most recent version of our paper to the website as per your instructions.

Major Formatting Change requested:

1. Affiliations - Each affiliation should be written in full, in the following format: department, institute, city, and country. This may mean repeating institutional addresses if the authors are from different departments within an institution. □□

The affiliations were added and updated as specified for each author.

2. References - References should be cited in the text using consecutive numbers in square brackets. Please do not use superscript numbers. Also, please place the reference before the full stop. For example `text [1].`□

This was changed as specified.

3. Table shading - We are unable to display shading and colours within the tables. Can we therefore ask you to use another method of highlighting the shaded text e.g. by making it bold.

The shading was removed.

Minor Revisions requested by the editors:
1. Title - Please use sentence case in the title, both in the manuscript file and the submission system i.e. remove all unnecessary capitals (capitalize only the first word, and proper nouns, and no full stops/periods). For example you would change ‘The Title of My Prestigious Publication: A Scientific Study’. To ‘The title of my prestigious publication: a scientific study’.

The title was changed to sentence case both in the document and on the online submission title.

2. Qualifications - please remove these from the author list in the manuscript.

This was done.

3. Professions - please remove these from the affiliations.

This was removed.

4. Grant support - please move these from the title page to an Acknowledgements section directly before the References.

This was moved to acknowledgment section.

5. Conclusions - please add this heading above the last paragraph of the Discussion starting 'In summary'.

This was done.

6. Vertical lines - please remove these from the tables.

The lines were removed.

7. Please take this opportunity to check your manuscript for any typographical errors and to make any final corrections or revisions as this is the final proofing stage for your manuscript, and you will not be able to make changes after acceptance.

Spell check and grammar check were redone on the paper.

Thank you

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