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Dear Editor:

We are submitting an original paper entitled “Evaluation of the short message service reminders on patient’s medication adherence: results of a controlled study to assess the effects of and satisfaction with incoming messages”. Medication compliance is critical for patient treatments, we created a patient medication management platform (PMP) to investigate the effect of the short message service (SMS) reminders on the patients’ medication adherence.

In this study, we recruited outpatients from 3 medical centers in Taiwan. This study adopted an experimental design and comprised an intervention and a control group. After the intervention group received the short message services to take medication, the improvement rates for the incidence of delayed doses for patients in both the control and intervention groups were 46.4% and 78.8%, respectively. The improvement rate of missed doses for the intervention group was 90.1%, in contrast to 61.1% for the control group. The SMS significantly affected the improvement rates of taking medicine on schedule.

Our manuscript has not previously been published in print or in electronic format and has not under consideration elsewhere. Besides, none of the authors has any conflict of interest in connection with this paper. We hope that you will consider our article for publication and look forward to hearing from you. Please let us know if any revisions are needed.

Sincerely yours,

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