Author's response to reviews

Title: Audio computer-assisted self-interviewing (ACASI) may avert socially desirable responses about infant feeding in the context of HIV

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Dear Editors,

Re: Manuscript for the Journal of Medical Informatics and Decision Making

Please find the reviewed manuscript by Anthony K Waruru, Ruth Nduati and Thorkild Tylleskär entitled "Audio computer-assisted self-interviewing (ACASI) may avert socially desirable responses about infant feeding in the context of HIV", that we are re-submitting for publication after a second review.

Following the peer review, the manuscript is being re-submitted with some editions.

a) Response to Dr David R Bangsberg’s review
   The reviewer’s concerns have been addressed in the previous version of the manuscript.

b) Response to Dr Marek Brabek’s review
   Details of use of tests for independent samples:
   To make the details clear we have changed the sentence in pg. 6-7 of the article to read…’ To compare means for age, marital time and parity, we used a Student’s t-test when measuring interview mode effect. To compare mean time taken to complete the interview, we used a Student’s t-test when comparing samples stratified by education as an independent variable.’

   The second limitation of the study has been elaborated to address the ‘why’ and ‘how’ assignment to interviewing methods was non-random pg. 11. It reads…’Secondly, assignment of respondents to each of the interviewing sequencing arms was not random since it was done as a block of 70 (ACASI interviewing first) and the second block of 10 (FTF interviewing first) rather than an alternate assignment of respondents during recruitment to each of the interviewing mode.’

This manuscript is not being and will not be considered elsewhere while under your editorial review.

Communication on this paper should be addressed to Anthony K. Waruru (see address below). We look forward to hearing from you.

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