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Title: Mental health priorities in Vietnam: A mixed-methods analysis

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Dear Editor,

We have made the following changes to the manuscript (in bold):

**Major revisions**

Author list: the list of authors in the manuscript should be written exactly as they are in the submission system, both in style and order. The preferred style is 'First name Initial Last name' (e.g. Joe F Bloggs) - we have changed the author name 'Huong Tran Thanh' on the title page to 'Huong T Thanh'. We have also removed the initial 'E' from Maria E Niemi in the submission system – the name now corresponds to that which is written on the title page.

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**Minor revisions**

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We have made two corrections to the manuscript: We have changed 'Community Based Mental Health Programme' to 'Community Based Mental Health Project' in all instances. We have also changed some erroneous information in paragraph 3 under 'discussion - methodological considerations'. Previously the paragraph read as follows:

"There were some challenges involved with using the mental health policy template as a framework for the content analysis, mainly due to that the domains and elements of the template are not explicitly described in the literature [11]. We tackled these challenges through an inductive process whereby already published Mental Health Country Profiles that have used the template were read thoroughly in order to understand the meaning of the domains and elements. In order to clarify this issue in the present paper, we have made an effort to explicitly describe those element titles of the template that we did not deem self-explanatory. We hope that these clarifications will assist others who would like to apply the template in future research, as we deem that the template is in many ways useful for the logical structuring of the different components of a Mental Health Country Profile."
There were some challenges involved with using the mental health policy template as a framework for the content analysis, mainly due to that the domains and elements of the template described in the literature are generic and not specific for the Vietnam setting [11]. We tackled these challenges through an inductive process whereby already published Mental Health Country Profiles that have used the template were read thoroughly in order to understand the ways in which the domain and element contents can vary between contexts. In order to clarify the meaning of the different domains and elements, we have made an effort to explicitly describe those element titles of the template that we did not deem self-explanatory. Due to its generic nature, we deem that the template is in many ways useful for the logical structuring of the different components of a Mental Health Country Profile.