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Dear Editorial Team,


We wish to submit a revised manuscript for consideration for publication in BMC Health Services Research titled Stakeholder perspectives on implementing accreditation programs: a qualitative study of enabling factors. It was originally submitted on 19 March 2013, with a revision submitted on 16 August 2013.

We greatly appreciate the time and effort invested by the reviewers and editorial team in reviewing the manuscript. There were no additional revisions required by Fadi El-Jardali. As specified below, our research team has addressed the final comments and suggestions by the other Reviewer, Marius Brostrom Kousgaard.

First, we replaced the term ‘value’ on p.12 with the text ‘benefits, relative to costs’. Second, we altered the text on p.12 so that ‘CQI culture’ is now defined as a critical organisational characteristic that influences quality and safety practices. Our revision also accounted for the formatting requirements of the journal.

We believe, and hope you agree, that the manuscript is now suitable for publication in BMC Health Services Research.

Kind regards,

Corresponding author, on behalf of all authors