Author's response to reviews

Title: Patient safety culture in a Large Teaching Hospital in Riyadh: Baseline Assessment, Benchmarking and Opportunities for Improvement

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for responding to my submission of the study protocol “Interventions for chronic diseases: Impact of effectiveness information on patient choice of therapy, satisfaction and adherence. The “Influence of intervention Methodologies on Patient Choice of Therapy (IMPACT)” randomised trial in general practice”.

I hereby address your concerns point-to-point as to clarification of certain issues.

Ethical approval
The trial has been conducted in accordance with Danish legislation and was approved by the Research Ethics Committee of the Region of Southern Denmark (project identification number S-20090034).

External funding
The study has been funded by The Danish Research Council, The Danish Heart Foundation (Hjerteforeningen), and The Committee for Quality and Training of general practitioners in the Region of Southern Denmark (Kvalitets- og EfteruddannelsesUdvalget i Region Syddanmark). The sponsors have not been involved in the design or development of the study.

Evidence of ethical approval and of external funding is enclosed below in original versions as well as translated versions of the relevant parts.
Trial registration
The trial has been registered at ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT01414751,

Information on all issues is included in the attached study protocol.

Manuscripts based on the study protocol
Our primary paper will concern the impact of effectiveness format on patients' decision to accept
therapy and on patients' evaluation of the risk communication. We plan to follow up in a paper
concerning patients' adherence to the decisions made. Finally, we will analyze on questionnaires filled
out by the participating GPs resulting in a paper concerning proportionality between GPs' interest in
risk conditions in their patients and GPs' use of quantitative effectiveness formats in risk
communication. No manuscripts based on the study protocol are under submission with other journals.

I look forward to hearing your decision.

Yours sincerely,
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