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Dear Editor,

We would like to thank you for your comments on the manuscript MS: 3101779371217658 “Development and impact of the Iranian hospital performance measurement program.” Based on your suggestions we have made the requested revisions to the manuscript. In the below table we summarize our responses to each comment/point as requested.

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<td>Consent statement: Please state in the Methods section whether written informed consent for participation in the study was obtained from participants or, where participants are children, a parent or guardian.</td>
<td>We added 2 sentences to the Method section mentioning the obtained ethical approval for this study and stating that there was no need to obtain informed consent for this study.</td>
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<td>We improved the layout and order of all tables as suggested.</td>
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Thank you in advance for taking our manuscript into consideration for peer review process. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
The Authors