Author's response to reviews

Title: Selecting effective incentive structures in health care: a decision framework to support health care purchasers in finding the right incentives to drive performance.

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To whom it concerns,

I like to thank you very much for accepting the manuscript in principle.

We revised the manuscript to address the comments made by Referee 2.

I also like to thank the second referee for his great comments which we feel led to an improved manuscript.

We addressed the comments in the following way:

Major comment
The second referee highlighted painfully the inconsistency between table 1 and table 2 in the terms we used.

* We aligned the headings and terms in the two tables and made sure that the language is the same.

Minor comments
1. Table 1 `indirect, non financial box¿ ¿ appeals to patients who base their choices (not based: we changed based into base

2.P11 para 2 `Time spent waiting in Accident and Emergency¿ `(currently says Accident and mergency). It would also be sensible to explain that this is what some international readers would call an Emergency Room: we corrected the spelling mistake and put between brackets `emergency room¿ after Accident and Emergency.

We hope we addressed those comments correctly; if not please let us know.

Best regards,

Thomas Custers