Author’s response to reviews

Title: An Analysis of Rural Residents' Perceptions of the New Cooperative Medical System in Liaoning Province, China

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**Answer**  
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**major compulsory revisions**

1. In general this paper has improved since I reviewed it first, some months ago. The standard of written English is much better, although there are one or two grammatical mistakes still evident.

Answer: We have invited an expert in a language to amend the article.

2. My main concern is that of the discussion section. the authors make a variety of conclusions and statements, and this seems to amount to more than the data supplied by them in the results section. I was by no means sure, that what they were describing in the discussion section could be supported by their results. I appreciate that the authors are interpreting the results, but I did have concerns about the validity of this.

Answer: In this article, the methods of typical interviews were used, and the results of interviews were summarized in the discussion section in order to support the conclusions of the questionnaires. Also we have amended some paragraphs in the discussion section in order to ensure the validity of description.

3. minor compulsory revisions.
the authors report the numbers responding to their questionnaires and the numbers interviewed etc in the methods section. this should be placed in the results section of the paper.

Answer: Thank you for your recommendation, we have amended it.