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Dear Editors,

We are pleased to submit today the third revision of our paper for publication in Human Resources for Health. Please find herewith a Revisions Note in which we indicate how we addressed the two referee’s comments. Our answers are in italic font. Moreover, we highlighted changes made when revising the manuscript.

We are confident that in its current format our paper will trigger the interest of many readers of Human Resources for Health.

Best regards,

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Revisions Note

Referee #1:

1. Although the initial paper had an abstract, it was missing in the first revision and still is missing in the second revision.

*It seems that the abstract, uploaded on the HRH website, was not forwarded to the reviewer during the revision processes. To avoid this situation, the abstract was included in the main document for this third revision.*

2. Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

*One of our colleague, Christoph Schwierz, helped us to improve the quality of written English. We acknowledged him in the specific section ‘acknowledgement’. All changes were highlighted in yellow.*