Author’s response to reviews

Title: A prospective study on elective surgical inpatient satisfaction with perioperative anaesthesia service at Ayder comprehensive specialized hospital, Mekelle, Ethiopia

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Response for the reviewer comments

General Response:-

Most of the comments raised by the reviewer are acceptable comments and we made major revision on the different section of the document and here is the specific reply for most of comments.

1. Comment No 6, 30

How can we say 'nausea and vomiting, intra and postoperative pain, shortness of breath and cold were factors affected patient satisfaction negatively'? Which test or finding led the authors to claim as such? Please clarify and rationalize in the main text of the manuscript

Response :- it was valuable comment! Upon the suggestion of the reviewer we do binary regression analysis to test the impact of the listed factors on the satisfaction level of patient on perioperative anesthesia practice and we included in the result part of the document

2. Comments No 9, 10, 11, 12

Page 6, line 45 to 46, the statement looks to have one wrong reference and another unrelated reference

Response :- All the issues raised by the reviewer regarding to reference was correct and we made some modification and now all the references are corrected
3. Comment No 15

Page 7, line 31….. Was prepared by reviewing previously done studies…’ can you please cite the studies used in the preparation of the data collection instrument

Response: - Reference is added at the end of the statement

4. Comment No 16

……. please include the data collection instrument used in this study as a supporting file

Response: - The English version of the Data collecting instrument is submitted to the editorial board as supporting file

5. Comment No 18

'Data comprehensiveness and uniformity was crisscross by the investigators.' please clarify the statement.

Response: - On the current revised version of the document the statement is modified as Data comprehensiveness and uniformity was checked by the investigators. Which means before the data is entered to the Epi info and SPSS the principal investigator checked whether the questioner is filled correctly so that only completed questioners will be used for the study.

6. Comment No 21

Please provide the reference used for the ASA classes definitions.

Response: - Reference is added at the end of the statement

7. Comment No 23

Age is an important socio-demographic as well as clinical factor. Please report data on age and age groups. Please also, include it in the statistical tests performed

Response: - Concerning to age group is included and statistical analysis also done regarding to age
8. Comment No 24

In Table 2, educational status categories have too many groups with zero. I suggest restructuring the variable by combining some of the groups together.

Response: - According to the reviewer suggestion educational status is now changed to three groups

9. Comment No 25, 26, 27

Table 2, the title doesn't tell what test was conducted, the results do not show it either. Please explicitly state what statistical tests were done to come up with the p-values listed there.

Response: - Extensive modification is done on the analysis part of the document which is Bivariate analysis in the binary logistic regression test is done on the current revised submission

10. . Comment No 28, 29,

Reference issue 6, 16

Response: - there was problem on reference number 6 and 16 now it is correctly referred

11. Comment No 31, 32

This difference could be explained by the duration of stay in the reference study was very short and the type of surgery in our study was not life threatening…’ Please describe which reference the statement is referring to.

Response: - Previously the statement hadn’t reference now it is correctly referred