Author’s response to reviews

Title: Challenges, consequences and lessons for way outs to emergencies at hospitals: A systematic review study

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Dear reviewers,

Thank you for your constructive comments.

1) Please merge the Solutions sections in the Results from page 7 Line 31 to Page 15 Line 31. They appear to be similar paragraphs. If there are separate concepts in each of the 3 Solutions Sections, please merge.

Reply: Thank you for your constructive comments. It is revised.

2) Discussion Section repeats many of the topics and ideas in the results. Consider consolidating so that the idea is only described once in the paper, either results or discussion.

Reply: Thank you for your constructive comments. It is revised.

For a comprehensive review of ED crowding solutions, a major area to include is solutions in the outpatient environment that impacts ED volume and crowding. The authors included only a short paragraph on other solutions around primary care. A focus on specialists in the outpatient environment also reduces ED visits.

Please see a Pediatrics paper from 2016 (PMID 27287727) that was associated with cost savings to the system (PMID 28457765). Similarly this intervention worked for other specialties (PMID: 29055023) an engagement on specialists in the outpatient environment.

Reply: Thank you for your constructive comments. It is revised in the results and discussion.

Minor
1) Introduction section: There are many in the introduction section that uses multiple adjectives, which makes it difficult to read. Similarly, there are many sentences with many ideas and thoughts that the authors should consider separating them out into individual sentences.

Reply: Thank you for your constructive comments. It is revised.

2) Page 6 Line 41 - There is an typo in the sentence starting with Male gender being.

Reply: Thank you for your constructive comments. It is revised.

3) Page 8 Line 24 - Typo with "successfully properly"

Reply: Thank you for your constructive comments. It is revised.

Best Regards,

Rasouli, HR.