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Dear Arlene Pura,

We are pleased to resubmit the manuscript “Differences in Proxy-reported and Patient-reported Outcomes: Assessing Health and Functional Status among Medicare Beneficiaries” for publication in *BMC Medical Research Methodology*. We have made required changes.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

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