Author’s response to reviews

Title: The Chinese version of Attitudes towards guidelines scale: Validity and reliability assessment

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Dear Editors:

Thank you very much for your letter and comments on our manuscript entitled “The Chinese version of Attitudes towards guidelines scale: Validity and reliability assessment” (ID: BMRM-D-18-00319). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. Revised contents are in the response to the comment 1. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

With best wishes,

Responds to the editor’s comments are as follows:

Comment 1: Please have the text edited by a professional language editing service. There are many issues with grammar, wording, spelling, and/or punctuation that need to be addressed before acceptance for publication.

Response: Thanks for your questions and nice suggestions. We feel very sorry for the grammar, wording, spelling, and/or punctuation errors in the manuscript. In combination with the journal requirements and editorial comments, we invited a native English-speaking scholar and a domestic counterpart to make changes, hoping to meet the requirements of the journal. The specific modifications are in the cover letter which is added in the supplementary material.
Comment 2: As the participants filled in a questionnaire, we would have expected that the consent was written. Please clarify why verbal consent was taken and if this was approved by an ethics committee. Please ensure this information is included in the Ethics approval and consent to participate section.

Response: Thank you very much for your questions. We feel very sorry for our careless. This is a clerical error. On the cover of each questionnaire is an informed consent letter, which is about the purpose, importance and confidentiality of the study. In order to protect the privacy of the respondents, the respondents fill in the questionnaire anonymously. The study was approved by the Ethics Committee of West China Hospital of Sichuan University (reference number: 201772).

Comment 3: Please note the role of the funding body in the design of the study and collection, analysis, and interpretation of data and in writing the manuscript should be declared in the Funding section.

Response: Thank you very much for your question. This study was supported by the Science and Technology Department of Sichuan Province which provided financial support in the data collection, analysis and manuscript writing of the study. We added this in the funding section.

Comment 4: At this stage, please upload your manuscript as a single, final, clean version that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours. All relevant tables/figures/additional files should also be clean versions. Figures (and additional files) should remain uploaded as separate files.

Response: Thank you very much for your suggestions. We have made modifications according to your requirements.