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Dear Editor in Chief, Executive Editor,

Please find attached the revised manuscript entitled: ‘Effect of an Interactive E-learning Tool for Delirium on Patient and Nursing Outcomes in a Geriatric Hospital Setting: Findings of a Before-After study’.

We have taken into consideration all editorial points and have revised the manuscript accordingly. As requested, our manuscript is uploaded as a final, clean version that does not contain any track changes, comment, highlights or text in different colours.
We hope that we have sufficiently addressed the comments. Thank you for reconsidering this manuscript for publication.

Sincerely yours,

On behalf of all co-authors,

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