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Dear BMC Infectious Diseases Staff:

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the comments generated from the review for our revised manuscript (INFD-D-16-01088-R2) entitled “Diabetes and the Occurrence of Infection in Primary Care: A Matched Cohort Study”. As requested, we have provided a single clean copy of our revised manuscript. Please find our responses to each comment below.

Kind Regards,

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Reviewer reports:

Kathleen M O'Reilly, PhD (Reviewer 3): Thank you for detailing the response to my comments - all have been adequately dealt with. Upon reading again I noticed a small number of typos (eg. missing "=" and some grammar), so please carefully review the pre-pub edits.

Response: Thank you. We have done our best to correct the existing typos and improve grammar throughout the manuscript.