Author’s response to reviews

Title: Prevalence of Noroviruses in Children Hospitalized for Acute Gastroenteritis in Hohhot, China, 2012–2017

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Dear editorial board,

Thank you for your letter concerning our manuscript "Prevalence of Noroviruses in Children Hospitalized for Acute Gastroenteritis in Hohhot, China, 2012–2017" submitted to your journal. We are grateful to you and the editorial for the constructive and positive comments that helped to improve our manuscript significantly. All the comments and concerns have been addressed point-by-point and the manuscript has also been revised accordingly. Our point-to-point response to the editorial’ comments is attached below.

I would like this manuscript to be considered for publication in BMC Infectious Diseases and look forward to hearing from you soon.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to you and the editorial for the constructive and positive comments.

With best wishes,
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Assistant Editor Comments:

1. Consent

Thank you for clarifying parental consent was obtained. Please update this within your manuscript under 'Ethics Approval'.

-- Since the informed consent obtained was verbal, please state the reason and whether the ethics committee approved this procedure.

Response: Many thanks for the editor’s suggestion. The "Ethics Approva" has been updated as suggestion in the revised manuscript.(Ethics Approva section, line 275-281, page 15)

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Response: Many thanks for the editor’s suggestion. The revised manuscript has been removed all racked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs.