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Rachel Sacks-Davis, PhD
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Dear Dr Sacks-Davis,

We are submitting the 2nd revision of the original research manuscript titled, “High prevalence of HIV, HBsAg and anti-HCV positivity among people who injected drugs: Results of the first bio-behavioral
survey using respondent-driven sampling in two urban areas in Mozambique” (NFD-D-19-01370R2). Please find below our responses to each comment and the description of the changes to the manuscript.

All contributing authors have reviewed the revision and agree with this updated submission.

Sincerely,
Cynthia Semá Baltazar

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