Author’s response to reviews

Title: Establishing a clinical phenotype for cachexia in end stage kidney disease - study protocol.

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Dear Hayley Henderson,

Re: BMC Nephrology – BNEP-D-17-00307

Establishing a Clinical Phenotype for Cachexia in End Stage Kidney Disease - Study Protocol
As per your email dated 15th September 2017, please see the following revisions to our study protocol:

Editor comments:

(1) Declaration section has been included along with the subheadings as per the guidelines. (2) SPIRT checklist attached. (3) Conclusions sections included. (4) Figures Legends section attached.

Formatting changes:

(1) Ethical and Funding Approval Documentation

We have emailed these documents as per your instruction to BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com.

(2) Funding

Please be advised this study has been externally funded by the Public Health Agency and part of that process involved an external review.

(3) Study Status

The study protocol has been amended under the heading ‘Data Collection’ to include ‘This study is ongoing and is currently carrying out recruitment’.

(4) Related Articles

We confirm that this work is original, has not been previously published and is not under consideration in the same or substantially similar form in any peer-reviewed media.

(5) Declarations

See (1) under Editor Comments.

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Thank you for your consideration of this manuscript.

Sincerely,

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