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Referee 1 noted a “lingering concern: regarding estimated intervention reach and lack of clarity about whether the intervention was available only to pregnant women on their first visit that probably can be fixed with minor editing”. Referee 1 also commented that “the invitation protocol may not have been standardized and that our true reach “may be even less than the 255 estimate, since not all were first visits”

We have revised our manuscript to address these concerns by editing relevant text to provide more clarity as suggested by the referee as follows:

- On page 5, paragraph 2, additional text (italicized here) is added to clarify that a standard invitation protocol was used for the study. “All pregnant women attending the clinic for the first time were provided a brightly coloured handout about the study with the clinic paperwork”.

- On Page 8 in the section that outlines representativeness of our study participants, the last paragraph now details how we computed program reach among pregnant women visiting the clinic for the first time as 22%.

- On page 15 (Discussion), we discuss program reach. We also note that use of the program by pregnant women who were not visiting the clinic for the first time and were not part of the study invitation protocol attests to the appeal of the program. We also note ways to increase program reach and future use of the program.