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The Editor-in-Chief

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Dear Editor,


Kindly receive our revised manuscript titled, “Spatial and Temporal Trends of Cesarean Deliveries in Uganda: 2012-2016
We have revised the manuscript and we present a point-by-point response to each of the comments raised by the editor as highlighted below. We also highlighted the Abstract subheading titled: Trends of Cesarean Deliveries in Uganda”. We are grateful that your journal is considering our paper potentially acceptable for publication in your prestigious journal.

Yours sincerely,

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Issue raised Answer

1. If you did not need formal ethics approval please confirm that this complies with national guidelines (in Uganda) and provide a reference which supports this. Alternatively, supply a statement that says that a local ethics committee ruled that no formal ethics approval was required in this particular case. Dear Editor, thank you for your concern. We have provided the documentation which enables us to collect information that is beneficial for the management and health outcomes of patients, including:
   - An authorization letter to access and utilize data by Uganda Ministry of health
   - the US CDC Non Research Determination Clearance no. 2017-201

2. Please be sure to include the Abstract subheading within the submissions system data.

   Thank you Editor for this observation. We have added the abstract subheading titled: “Trends of Caesarean deliveries in Uganda”

3. Please proofread and upon uploading your revisions, please remove any tracked changes or highlighting and include only a single clean copy of the manuscript. We have proof read the revised manuscript and removed the track changes.