Author’s response to reviews

Title: Nomogram for prediction of gestational diabetes mellitus in urban, Chinese, pregnant women

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Dear editors and reviewers:

Editor:
We would like to express our great appreciation to you and reviewers for comments on our paper. I hope all is well. It is an honor for our manuscript to be accepted by ‘BMC pregnancy and childbirth’.

Giovanni Sisti (Reviewer 1)
Response: We appreciate the effort that goes into the review of our manuscript.

Rose Nabirye, PhD (Reviewer 2)
1 Page 9 under study design line 68, it should read:....obtained from the hospital......not of the hospital
Response: Your comments are valuable. Line 68, Dataset was obtained from the International Peace Maternity and Child Care Health Hospital (IPMCH) electronic medical record system.

2 Page 11, line 158-159: The nomogram....the sentence is not clear
Response: Thanks for reminding us of this problem, the final validated GDM risk factors were age, pre-pregnancy BMI, FPG in the first trimester and family history of diabetes. We added these in the revised version (Line 158-159, page 11, under Development of GDM-predicting nomogram).

3 Page 12 under discussion line 197, sentence is not clear
Response: We have re-written this part, line 197, page 12. It is traditional for women to increase their calorie consumption and sedentary habit from the onset of pregnancy though this is clearly responsible for increasing diabetogenic burden in high risk women. It should be emphasized that our study was conducted at a time when early identification and targeted interventions are available for those women. Special thanks to you for your good comments.