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Dear Nawsheen Boodhun

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Re: Manuscript Reference No.: BPED-D-16-00604

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Please find the answer of you question for consideration of publication in the BMC Pediatrics.

1) Please clarify how you determined that this case is specifically occult child abuse.

Ans: According to judicial judgement, the father pleaded guilty to the crime in court. Therefore, we thought that this case is specifically occult child abuse
2) We understand that you specified that the mother of the patient provided consent for publication of this case report. However, if the child is a victim of child abuse, could you let us know how you obtained the consent and what information was provided. Do you suspect that the mother may have also been involved in mistreat of the patient?

Ans: Because the father pleaded guilty to the crime in court, the mother seems not to involve. And the mother agreed to publish this case for purpose of medical education.

Sincerely

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