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Title: A case report of a teenager with severe hand, foot, and mouth disease with brainstem encephalitis caused by Enterovirus 71

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Dear Editor of BMC Pediatrics,

Many thanks for your comments and suggestion. We have revised the manuscript accordingly, and the point-by-point response is attached below. The “Declarations” section has been revised and rearranged to comply with the Editorial Policies.

Your kind consideration would be greatly appreciated!

Best regards,

Editor Comments:

1. Please revise your Availability of data and materials statement to one of these suggested statements:

   • The datasets used and/or analysed during the current study are available from the corresponding author on reasonable request.
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We have revised “Availability of data and materials” to “All data generated or analysed during this study are included in this published article.”
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Yes, we have included.

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We have revised.

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