Author’s response to reviews

Title: Is involvement in school bullying associated with increased risk of murderous ideation and behaviours among adolescent students in China?

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Dear Editor,

We are very pleased to learn from your comments for our manuscript titled “Is involvement in school bullying associated with increased risk of murderous ideation and behaviours among adolescent students in China?” submitted to BMC Psychiatry, (#ID BPSY-D-18-00216R4). We appreciate your careful reading of our manuscript, kind comments and valuable suggestions very much. We have carefully considered the comments and revised the manuscript according to the revision comments.

We express our great appreciation to you for your comments on our manuscript. We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you and best regards.

Comments:

Point 1. While assessing your manuscript in-house, we found several instances where the text displayed similarities to text found in other previously published sources. While we understand that you may wish to express some of the same ideas contained in these publications, please be
aware that we cannot condone the use of text from previously published work. We would therefore be grateful if you could reformulate the sections listed below to resolve the overlap between your manuscript and other sources. Please ensure that, where relevant, these sources are also referenced as appropriate.

The overlap primarily occurs between your submission and the following previously published sources:

A self-harm series and its relationship with childhood adversity among adolescents in mainland China: a cross-sectional study


Examining Childhood Maltreatment and School Bullying Among Adolescents: A Cross-Sectional Study From Anhui Province in China

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Is childhood maltreatment associated with murderous ideation and behaviors in adolescents in China?


This overlap mainly exists in the Methods section.

Responses to point 1: Thank you for your kind suggestions. In this revision, we rewritten the Methods section in order to resolve the overlap between our manuscript and other sources. Further, these sources were cited at relevant places in our revised manuscript. We believe the quality of our article have been improved a lot with your kind help.