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Dear Editor,

Please find attached a revised manuscript entitled ‘How to characterize the public health workforce based on essential public health operations? Environmental public health workers in the Netherlands as an example’ by M. Jambroes, R. van Honschooten, J. Doosje, K. Stronks, M.L. Essink-Bot. A point-by-point description of the changes made is listed below.

Point 1:
Email addresses of all authors are included on the title page of the manuscript.

Point 2:
The figure legend of figure 1 is included in the main manuscript file, at the end of the document.

Point 3:
In the method section, on page 7, we added the sentence: ‘According to Dutch law, formal ethical approval was not required, but we took every effort to effectively inform the respondents and protect their privacy.’ And on page 9 we added the sentence: ‘The invitation emphasized voluntary participation and responses would be confidential.’

We hope these changes are conform the BMC Public Health requirements. If not, please let us know.

Yours sincerely, also on behalf of the co-authors,

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