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Page 6. Study sites and setting

This section must be shorter and into the methodology section

Page 7. line 28 . And no capital

Page 7. Second paragraph ..wrong numbers

In Data sources and data collection…you must be more specific in the questionnaires analysis

Data analysis must be shorter. There is no need for so many details for the variables.

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Page 11. You must be shorter explaining figure 1

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