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Dear Editors Members of the Editorial Team/Board

I am very grateful to the Editors and reviewers for taking time once more to review this manuscript and for their constructive comments. I am most pleased to resubmit the revised manuscript with this cover letter highlighting point-by-point responses to their comments and requests.

1. Please provide a complete Declarations section before the references, including an Availability of data and materials section, in accordance with the submission guidelines. We appreciate that you may have supplied some of the information in the body of the manuscript.

Response: I have provided a complete Declarations section covering the following headings before the references as requested:

Ethics approval and consent to participate
NGO and government administrators granted permission for staff to participate in the study. Participants received explanations about the study objectives and assurance of confidentiality and anonymity, including their right to withdraw from the study at any time without offering a reason. Participants then provided verbal consent for participation in the research.

Consent to publish

Not applicable

Availability of data and materials

All the data supporting our findings are contained in the manuscript.

(Additional file 1: I have added an additional file with the following heading after the references: Interview Guide for Case Study Partnership Representatives)

Competing interests

The author declares that he has no competing interests.

Authors contribution

MH as the sole author conceived and designed the study, developed instruments, collected and analysed the data, and wrote the manuscript

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Response: I have uploaded a clean final version of the manuscript without tracked changes.

Again, many thanks to the editors and reviewers, for their constructive comments.

Sincerely,

Martin Hushie