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1. The permission letter from the Gauteng Department of Social Development has been sent to Marie-Victorie Cosson.

2. We have responded about peer-review process by the funding body in the email sent to Marie-Victorie Cosson.

3. The study is ongoing the researchers are still busy with data collection.

4. The funding body did not play any role in the development and conducting of the study.

5. The section titled "ethical procedure" has been moved to "ethics approval and consent to participate" in the manuscript.

6. The ethical clearance and funding letters have been removed as supplementary files.