Author’s response to reviews

Title: Traditional healers’ role in the detection of active TB cases in a pastoralist community in Ethiopia: a pilot interventional study

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Dear BMC Public Health Editorial Office,

We would like to thank the Editorial Office for giving us the chance to resubmit the revised manuscript and considering it for publication.

Below is our point by point response to reviewers and editor.

Response to Editor Comments:

Comment 1. Interview guide
Response: Thank you and interview guide is attached now.

Comment 2. Availability of Data and Materials
Response: Thank you again. We have included all the data this study is based. It is a pilot interventional study and the data generated is included.

Comment 3. Consent must be informed. Please update 'ethics approval' to stated written informed consent was obtained and ensure this is the case.
Response: Thank you for the comment. Now we have updated the consent section and it reads "...written informed consent....".

Comment 4. Additional Files

Please remove any additional files you do not wish to publish

Response: Thank you and now we have removed all the additional files we do not wish to publish.

Comment 5. Clean Manuscript. At this stage, please upload your manuscript as a single, final, clean version that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours.

Response: Thank you and We have uploaded the clean manuscript.

Response to reviewer 3

Comment 1: Line 233: Some grammar to check… I think it is "We reviewed…" the word "have is not warranted there"

Response: Thank you for the comment. We have made the correction now (line 213, methods section).

Comment2: Line 237: Negative… can change to small n.

Response: Thank you again. Now "N" is changed to small n. (line 217, methods section)

Comment 3: Line 277: there is no space after cases and a comma. Please correct

Response: Thank you and now the space is removed.

Comment 4: Line 294: add years .."14-75 years" I don't think I understand this… "… 31.5 (quartile 1=20.25, quartile 2=52.25).." Do you mean interquartile range?
Response: Thank you for the comment. Now interquartile range of 32 is given, which is quartile 1 minus quartile 2), (line 276, results section).

Comment 5: Line 320: … spelling mistakes the "… movment." I think it should be movement.
Response: Thank you for the comment. Now a correction is made.

Comment 6: Line 355: remove the double full stops… ". study. .Political instability…..".
Response: Thank you for the comment. Now the double full stops is removed (line 334, discussion section)