**Author’s response to reviews**

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Dear Editor, we have addressed the two comments as follows:

Comment 1: clarify the age of the youngest participant in this study, as we note that one version of table 1 states 18-24 and another states 15-24.

If any minors were included in this study (people under the age of 16), please state if written informed consent to participate was obtained from the parents/guardians of the minors included in this study (minors are considered anyone under the age of 16)

Alternatively if local legislation allows you to conduct research without parental consent for minors, please state this and include a reference to the relevant legislation.

Response:
Kindly be informed that initially we wanted to have equal age groups of a range of 9 years, which gave a wrong impression that we included participants under the age of 18. All of our participants were 18 or older and therefore did not require parental assent. We have changed the first age category in table 1 to reflect this.

Comment 2: There are currently two ‘Table 1’ in your manuscript. Please ensure there is only one Table 1 by removing the duplicate table.

Response:

We have removed one table and now we have two tables only: Table 1’ is on demographic characteristics of participants (see line 478) while table 2 is on ‘Percent of women attending first ANC visit by parity by gestational age’ (see line 479).

Thanks

Gasto