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To BMC Pulmonary Medicine

Dear Editor

Thank you for your reviewed comments on our manuscript entitled “COPD Online-rehabilitation versus Conventional COPD rehabilitation – rationale and design for a multicenter randomized controlled trial study protocol (CORe trial)”. In this letter we have answered your editorial comments.

1. Please format the abstract with the following headings: - Background, - Methods, -Discussion, - Trial registration

The abstracts former headings are now replaced with the requested headings: - Background, - Methods, -Discussion, - Trial registration.

2. Please remove the Ethics heading from the abstract as this should be in the Declarations section.
Ethics heading is removed from abstract and inserted in the declaration section in the manuscript.

3. Please include not only the trial registration number but also the date of registration

The registration date is added in abstract and manuscript together with registration number.

4. The format the main manuscript with the following headings: - Background, - Methods, - Discussion

The main headings in the manuscript has been changed to - Background, - Methods, - Discussion, as requested.

5. After the List of abbreviations, please include the heading "Declarations" followed by the following sub-headings:

Declarations:
- Ethics approval and consent to participate - please include all relevant ethics info here.
- Consent to publish - not applicable
- Availability of data and materials - not applicable
- Competing interests
- Funding - please remove the monetary amounts from here
- Authors' Contributions
- Acknowledgements

The heading “Declaration” is added in the manuscript after the abbreviations section. The subheadings are chronological ordered as suggested for the subheading. Ethics section has been inserted in the declaration section with relevant information. Monetary amounts have been removed in subheading “Funding”.

We hope you find the requested revision satisfying and hereby submit the revised manuscript in a “clean” version to be considered for publication in BMC Pulmonary Medicine.

We are looking forward to hearing from you.
Yours sincerely

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