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First of all, we want to thank the Editorial Board members for reviewing this manuscript and recommended for acceptance in BMC.

1) Abstract: please consider providing some more methodological details in the Methods section to assist readers.

We adjusted the Methods section in the abstract to assist the readers, taking into account that the abstract consist of 350 words.

‘This is a retrospective and observational, nationwide cohort study of all Dutch children (aged 0-18 years) with T1DM. Data were collected from the national registry for healthcare reimbursement, in which all Dutch insurance companies combine their reimbursement data. In the Netherlands for all Dutch citizens health care is covered by law and all children are treated by hospital-based paediatricians’’

2) Declarations section: please move this to appear after the Discussion section.

This section is moved to after the discussion

3) Authors contributions: please use initials of authors rather than full names, and also ensure that the specific contribution of ES is outlined.

The names of the author are changed in initials as you advised

4) Ethical approval and consent to participate: it is not acceptable to state 'Not applicable' for this section as a statement regarding on ethics approval and consent are required. If consent was not required, please provide details of why this was waived and the institution/committee who approved this. Please copy the following text that appears in the 'Statistical analysis and ethical considerations' section so that it appear under this heading (please state the precise Dutch law):
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3) Figure 1: please remove the figure title from the figure and add this to the main Word file.

The title of the figure is removed to the text in the results.

4) Supplementary material - Adjusted table 1: is this table for publication alongside the main paper or simply for the reviewers. If it is the former, please ensure that it is cited within the text and a short summary title is provided in the main word file. However, if it is not for publication, please do not upload with the revised version.

This table was the adjusted version of the previous Table 1 we submitted. This table should be published with the main paper as Table 1. We mentioned table 1 in the Results section.