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James Mockridge, PhD
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Dear Dr Mockridge,

Subject: Submission of revised paper “Investigation and management of moderate to severe inpatient hyponatraemia in an Australian tertiary hospital.” (BEND-D-18-00291)

Thank you for your email dated 23rd November.
We have completed the remaining minor revisions as suggested and thank the journal for their acceptance of our manuscript.

Sincerely,

Dr Kathryn Berkman
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Editor Comments:

1) Please move the keywords from the title page to after the abstract.

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2) In the Declarations, please change the heading “Ethics approval” to “Ethics approval and consent to participate” and include a statement about consent to participate.

3) In addition, please include a statement that all necessary permissions were obtained to access the medical records at the Princess Alexandra Hospital.

In answer to 2 and 3 – the statement has been revised as follows:

Ethics approval and consent to participate:

Ethics approval was obtained from the Metro South Human Research Ethics Committee (reference HREC/16/QPAH/490). All necessary permissions to access medical records from the Princess Alexandra Hospital were obtained. Consent to participate was not a requirement.

4) Please remove the figure titles embedded within the figures and re-upload the corrected versions. Please upload each Figure individually, as separate files.

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5) At this stage, please upload a single final, clean version of the manuscript (including all relevant tables/figures) that does not contain any tracked changes, comments, highlights, strikethroughs or text in different colours.

All tracking/highlighting has been removed.

Reviewer reports:

Henrik Falhammar (Reviewer 1): The revised manuscript by Berkman et al. has improved greatly. I have only one minor comment.

1. The reference numbers should be before the full stop not after. There are some inconsistencies concerning this in the manuscript.

Thank you for pointing out this discrepancy which has been corrected.

Christoph D. Schwarz (Reviewer 3): The scientific work was carefully revised according to the suggestions of the reviewer.

The authors have satisfactorily responded to all my questions and I have no further comments.

Although the paper has some limitations because of the retrospective design it gives an good insight in the real world management of hyponatremia.

Thank you for the constructive critiques which resulted in a much better final result.