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Thank you for your corrections but still some mistakes are remained! And the text still needs revisions.

Line 49: What do you mean by "Food oral health practice"? Please replace "Food oral health practice" with another clear phrase.

Line 128-134: The word inter examiner and intra examiner reliability is more common than inter inspector or intra inspectors.

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