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Dear Dr. Kim,

Thank you for submitting your revised manuscript.

I am sorry to call on your time again, but before we proceed further, the Editor would like to request additional modification for your manuscript.

We note that it is mentioned within the paper that ethics approval was exempt. Please confirm if an ethics committee had determined exemption for the study. Please supply a link/letter from a relevant source that confirms that ethics approval is not required for the study.

Answer: We appreciate your comments. We are quite willing to do the best for improvement our manuscript. We thought that KNHANES was exempt from institutional review board approval because it was national survey, which was our mistake. The protocol of KNHANES was approved by the institutional review board (IRB) of the Korea Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. So we added IRB No. in our manuscript. We appreciate your constructive review again. We revised Materials and Methods section as follows:

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