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Point-by-point response to reviewers’ comments and Assistant Editor on the manuscript entitled “Knowledge, uptake of preconception care and associated factors among reproductive age group women in west shoa zone, Ethiopia, 2018.

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Response to DR.Neelam Aggarwal(Reviewer 1):

1. COMMENT; Still there are grammatical mistakes, manuscript needs to be revised by English professional and also reviewer2 concerns haven’t been answered properly.

Response: Thank you; Abdulbasit Musa from Newcastle University in Australia reviewed and corrected. Email address, atinaf.musa2@gmail.com

Response to Assistant Editor Comments:

1. COMMENT ;Ethics Approval and Consent to Participate
   --In your ‘Ethics Approval and Consent to Participate’ section of your declarations please confirm if an ethics committee approved the procedure for verbal consent, and why they felt the need for written consent was not necessary for this study. Please also detail how you documented the consent.
   Response: Since the data for this study was collected house to house through an interview which has minimal risk of harm or discomfort on participants, we have used verbal informed consent from each respondent after explaining the purpose and objectives of the study; which was also approved by ethics review committee of Ambo University. Also written ethical approval letter was obtained from all of the study areas responsible health offices which give us authorized permission to conduct the interview.
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--Currently, the age information present in [TABLE 1], in combination with other identifiers, may compromise patient/participant anonymity.
If you do not have consent to publish, please amend the file to address this issue, by removing this information or by providing ages as acceptable age-ranges.

In this case, the age-ranges you have provided are too small. Please provide age-ranges with a minimum of 4 years difference, e.g. 18-22, 23-27, 28-32.
Response: Thankyou, we accept the comment and correct the age –ranges with 4 years difference.

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Response: Thank you, its editorial error. It is not new author and we correct it to DB which is the initials of the corresponding author.

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Responses: Thankyou; we insert citation in the manuscript.