Author’s response to reviews

Title: Hospital ethics reflection groups: a learning and development resource for clinical practice

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Dear editor and reviewers

This is a point-by-point response letter to the remarks.

Reviewer reports:

Katherine Wasson, PhD, MPH (Reviewer 1): The manuscript is improved with these revisions and should be published.

A few minor corrections to be made:

P 4 line 43: writhing should be writing – this correction has been made

P 5 line 45-46: more causes should be multiple causes or reasons – this correction has been made

P 6 line 20-23: check the grammar – the sentence has been rewritten

P 6 line 32-33: The authors use the term "Chinese walls". This is unclear. Is it a phrase commonly used in Denmark? Consider simply stating what is meant for a broader audience. - The sentence has been rewritten, Without the word “Chinese walls”

P 8 line 8: forums should be fora (not forums) unless the journal indicates otherwise. The singular is forum and plural in Latin is fora. There are a number of places in the text where this change needs to be made (p 8 line 56, p 9 lines 8-10). – this correction has been made

P 10 line 49: Check whether "tabooed" is an accurate term. - the sentence has been rewritten, without the word “tabooed”

P 17 line 6-7 contributes not contribute – this correction has been made
P 17 line 11: incomplete sentence (it's not clear why the e.g. is included) – the sentence has been rewritten

P 17 line 30: By some physicians should be According to some physicians… - this correction has been made

P 18 line 12: preunderstanding should be preconceptions or assumptions – this correction has been made

The final paragraph on page 18 lines 23-32 is unclear. What point are the authors making? Clarify. - The paragraph has been removed.

Rouven Porz (Reviewer 2): All fine