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Dear Dr. Krüger,

We wish to thank you for your careful re-review of our manuscript entitled “Initial Development of Supportive Care Assessment, Prioritization and Recommendations for Kids (SPARK), a symptom screening and management application”.

The comments were very helpful. Please find below an itemized list of the comments and how they have been addressed in the manuscript. We hope that you will find these modifications satisfactory.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to further correspondence with your office.

Sincerely,

Lillian Sung

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Editor Comments:

Thank you for your thoughtful responses to our editorial comments. We appreciate that you have indicated in your response letter that you are committed to making your tools freely available once the research phase of SPARK is completed. However, as an open-access publisher that requires software apps to be made freely available for non-commercial use, we kindly ask for you to also include a definitive statement in the 'Availability of Data and Materials' section indicating when the app should be made available.

Response: In order to address this we have added the following to ‘Availability of Data and Materials’ section

"This website application is anticipated to be made freely available by 2022 or earlier."