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Comment from the editor

"Please clarify whether any participants took place in this study, or whether patient data was analysed in this study. If participants were interviewed for the purposes of this study, a statement on consent to participate is required, or a waiver for consent from the ethics committee."

Author response:

This study is part of a larger project called Deliver Primary Healthcare Information (DELPHI). For the DELPHI project de-identified patient data are extracted from the electronic medical records of participating family physicians. The research presented here in this paper is part of this study. De-identified patient data were analyzed. There were no participants interviewed. We have modified a sentence in the methods to clarify. It now reads "These datasets were created for
the Deliver Primary Healthcare Information (DELPHI) project; this study is part of the DELPHI project." We have also added the ethics review number for the DELPHI study to the following sentence "The DELPHI project was approved by The University of Western Ontario’s Health Sciences Research Ethics Board, (number 11151E).