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Dear Mr. Shipley:

Attached with this cover letter is the manuscript titled “Acute and Chronic Impact of Cardiovascular Events on Health State Utilities” for submission to BMC Cardiovascular Disorders. We hope these results will be of interest to researchers who perform cost-effectiveness modeling of treatments intended to prevent or delay the onset of cardiovascular conditions.

In response to the requested edits from Gilbert Tacbobob, the authors made the following changes: 1) we added a statement detailing what ethical approval was obtained for this study; and 2) we created a separate section for "Competing Interests" and "Authors' Contributions."

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Thank you for your consideration of this article.

Sincerely,

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