Author's response to reviews

Title: Use of online health information to manage children's health care: a cross-sectional study investigating parental decisions

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Dear Prof. Peter O’Donovan,

Please find attached a copy of the manuscript entitled “Understanding parents’ decisions to use online health information to manage their child’s health care”, which the co-authors and I are submitting for consideration for publication in BMC Pediatrics. We believe that this study would be of high interest to the BMC readership given its use of a sound theoretical framework to investigate a behaviour (i.e., parental use of on-line information to manage children’s health) that has had limited empirical investigation and of which could have negative consequence to the care of children’s health.

The data presented in the current report were collected in accordance with APA ethical standards and ethical clearance was obtained. Furthermore, this paper has not been published previously, is not under consideration for publication elsewhere, and will not be submitted for publication elsewhere until a final decision is given as to the paper’s acceptability by the Journal. No financial support has been received for this project and all authors have contributed to the paper in a meaningful way.

Based on the initial review, we have now:

(1) Included the ethical approval information and number in the manuscript
(2) Included an acknowledgements section
(3) Revised the Figure title and placed it in the main manuscript as requested

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this.

Yours sincerely,

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On behalf of the authors