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Manuscript entitled: IMPACT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS ON HOSPITAL LENGTH OF STAY FOLLOWING INJURY: A MULTICENTER COHORT STUDY

Dear Editor,

We are pleased to send you an original research paper based on a multicenter cohort study that demonstrates an important increase in hospital length of stay for patients suffering from high material and/or social deprivation. The results of this study suggest that consideration of material and particularly social deprivation in discharge planning has the potential to improve resource use and outcomes for injury admissions.

The manuscript has 2561 words, 1 Figure, and 2 Tables.

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Yours Sincerely

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