Author’s response to reviews

Title: Information about management of chronic drug therapies prescribed at hospital discharge: does it affect patients’ knowledge and self-confidence?

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RE: MS: BHSR-D-16-00058 “Information about management of chronic drug therapies prescribed at hospital discharge: does it affect patients' knowledge and self-confidence?”

Dear Dr. Williams,

Thank you for having reviewed the manuscript “Information about management of chronic drug therapies prescribed at hospital discharge: does it affect patients’ knowledge and self-confidence?” to be published on BMC Health Services Research.

We have accordingly attached a copy of the revised version of the paper. The suggestion made by Reviewer 3 has been taken into account as follows:
Reviewer 3 (Jose Joaquin Mira) comment:

Summary includes this conclusion: information by hospital physician has a crucial role in the empowerment of patients in the management of these medications. Although this is probably true it is not derived from this study, methods applied and results described.

As suggested, we have modified the conclusion of the Abstract, stating that the way communication is provided to the patients has a crucial role in the management of long-term medications. (Abstract: Conclusion paragraph, page 2, lines 44-45).

My colleagues and I are most grateful for the extremely positive tone of the reviewer comments and we are sincerely honoured to have our paper published in BMC Health Services Research. We hope you would take into account that this manuscript has undergone a very long evaluation process thus trying to make this further evaluation as short as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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