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Answers to the Editor’s Comments

Thank you very much for your valuable comments. We accepted all the remarks and tried to modify the manuscript accordingly.

1. Ethics

In the Ethics and consent to participate section, please clarify whether you received a waiver of ethics approval from an ethics committee or an IRB for this study. If so, please include the full name of the ethics committee (and the institute to which it belongs to) that provided this waiver.

   a. As we declared in the previous round that there was no need for ethical / IRB approval since the Hungarian legislation provides the legal basis for similar surveys conducted by pharmacists. Moreover, pharmacists are obliged to contribute to national public health programs. The submitted paper can be considered a part of such a study.

   b. Line 133 and 261 (the sections requested have been modified and supplemented):

   „The project was implemented with the support and cooperation of the National Health Development Institute's Primary Care Directorate [27]. The unified professional protocol made available in the course of the co-operation is a document agreed with the Primary Service
Directorate. We have not received a waiver of ethics approval since the participation in the questionnaire survey, and the pharmaceutical service was not linked to one Institute (University) and was absolutely free and undoubtedly noninvasive, so IRB deemed unnecessary according to the similar national regulations.”

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a. Line 279: „Consent for publication: Not applicable.”

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a. Line 282: „Availability of data and materials: The datasets generated and/or analyzed during the current study are not publicly available due to our privacy policy but are available from the corresponding author on reasonable request.”

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Yours sincerely,

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