Author’s response to reviews

Title: The Societal Economic Burden of Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease in the United States

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Dear Dr. Edwards,

Thank you for considering a revised version of our manuscript “The Societal Economic Burden of Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease in the United States” for publication in BMC Health Services Research. We have provided point-by-point responses to the editorial comments below. In our resubmission, we have included a clean version of the revised manuscript with all changes accepted.

We hope that you will find our revised manuscript suitable for publication in BMC Health Services Research. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Editor’s Comments to Authors

1. Competing interests
   -- Please clarify whether any of the remaining authors have anything to declare. If there are no further competing interests, please clearly state this in the 'Competing interests' section.

Response: The competing interests of all six authors have been stated in the ‘Competing interests’ section; authors have no further competing interests to declare.

2. Conference proceedings
   -- We notice that you have presented similar work at ISPOR 2019:
   https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jval.2019.04.1864
   Please ensure that this is cited and acknowledged in the acknowledgements section.

Response: The presentation at ISPOR 2019 has been added to the acknowledgements section: “Part of the material in this manuscript was presented at the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR) 2019 annual conference held on May 18–22 in New Orleans, LA, USA as a poster presentation.”

3. Availability of data and materials
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Response: We have added a data availability statement to indicate the publicly available sources from which we obtained our data:

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Response: We have included a single clean version of the revised manuscript with all changes accepted in our resubmission. All figures and tables are cited within the text.