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Dear Editor,

Thank you for reviewing our manuscript. The reviewers’ suggestions/corrections have been made to the manuscript and uploaded. Please find two versions of the amended manuscript:

1) “Manuscript-tracked”: this version shows the tracked changes.

2) “Manuscript-clean”: this version shows the untracked changes.

Other responses are provided in the document uploaded as a supplementary document - "Manuscript IHHR-D-18-00084-Authors Responses".

We have also listed letters from Monash University Human Research Ethics Committee as Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 in the manuscript and uploaded these documents.

Appendix 1: Exemption letter from Monash University HREC regarding the use of the Building A New Life in Australia data sets.

Appendix 2: Approval letter from Monash University HREC regarding the qualitative study.

After receiving SUBMIT YOUR REVISED MANUSCRIPT on 5/12/2018, the following information has been added:

Thank you for reviewing our manuscript. We have made the requested changes to the manuscript.
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We highlight that the data used for the quantitative study is only provided in a de-identified format and therefore obtaining individual participant consent is not required for its use. We also have obtained an exemption from Monash University Human Research Ethics Committee to support this and provide the letter from Monash University HREC. Individual consent will be obtained from participants of the qualitative study prior to the interviews and we have included a statement to this effect on page 15 (see “Ethics Approval”).

Thank you again for reviewing our manuscript.

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