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Title: Expanding the Role of Paralegals: Supporting Realization of the Right to Health for Vulnerable Communities

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1. Questionnaire

In the Methods section, please clarify whether the questionnaire was developed for the purposes of this study.

Answer: Thank you for noticing this lack. We have modified a sentence in the methods section on pp 7 line 23-25 into: “The researchers administered a quantitative questionnaire, developed specifically for the purpose of this study, to measure the general outcomes of their work, especially regarding the right to health, and their methods of working.”

2. Competing interests

Please also clarify whether the authors SG and LF have competing interests to declare. If they have none to declare, please state this in the ‘competing interests’ section of the Declarations.

Answer: Both authors do not have competing interests, we have added the description in the competing interests on pp 23 line 12.

3. Cite Tables

Please ensure that all tables are cited in the main body of text. Currently tables 2-4 are not cited.

Answer: Thank you for pointing out this issue. We made several changes to address this issue.

On pp. 10, line 16-17, we added: “Further explanations can be viewed on the Table 2.”
On pp. 12, line 1-2, we added: “Table 3 provides the exact number of the paralegals who gave this kind of information to their clients.”

On pp. 13, line 4-6, we added: “Table 4 presents the number of paralegals who went extra mile to ensure their client’s health-related rights.”