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Covering letter

Dear Editor-in-chief

We the authors would like to thank for quick review process of our manuscript “Belete B et al. Syphilis and Human Immunodeficiency Virus infection among pregnant women attending at antenatal care clinic of Gondar Family Guidance Association, northwest Ethiopia: Implication for prevention of mother to child transmission” and for your consideration for publication in the prestigious journal: Reproductive Health.

We tried to revise and address the comments and issues raised by Editors and reviewers. Herein, the point-by-point reply to reviewers’ comments is attached.
Finally, we confirm that this manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. All authors have approved the manuscript and agree with its resubmission to Reproductive Health.

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With kind regards!

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Response for Reviewer’s

Dear reviewer,

We thank you very much for your constructive comments and suggestions for the improvement of this manuscript. We have corrected and amended the manuscript based on your comments and suggestions. To visualize the changes made in the manuscript, we enabled the track change feature in Microsoft word.
Reviewer reports:

1. This manuscript can now be accepted; however an additional edit is needed prior to publication.
   Reply: Dear reviewer, thank you very much, we have tried to amend the manuscript for English language grammar and sentence structure in collaboration with colleagues and linguistic professional.

2. In addition, one CRITICAL change must be made. The conclusions/recommendations indicate that 20-25 and >=30 age group were associated with syphilis infection but the abstract indicates 20-29 and >=30. This discrepancy in results must be rectified.
   Reply: Dear reviewer thank you very much, we have corrected the typographical error as: Age group 20-29, ≥ 30 years and HIV infection were significantly associated with syphilis infection.