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To the Editor

We have reviewed and accepted all but two track changes in the copy edit version of the manuscript titled “Development of a Management Algorithm for Post-operative Pain (MAPP) after total knee or total hip replacement: Study rationale and design.”

The first track change that we did not accept was related to author affiliations on page 1. More specifically Julie Considine is affiliated with the Eastern Health/Deakin University Nursing and Midwifery Research Centre. As such we have included this in the list of author affiliations and changed the affiliation numbers accordingly.

The second track change we did not accept was on page 22 of the manuscript where the comma ‘wors,t’ was moved to read worst,

During a thorough final read through we identified a number of small inconsistencies that we have fixed. These changes are listed below:

- In the author list PhD appeared after Megan-Jane Johnstone’s name but had been removed from all other authors so we have deleted this reference. Also Megan-Jane Johnstone’s email address had an extra ‘M’. This has been removed.
- On page 12 of the manuscript the inclusion criteria states that patients’ day 0-7 post-op were invited to participate. In the procedure section it reads patients day 0-5. The procedure section has been modified to read 0-7.
- There was a couple of instances where the spelling of multimodal and post-operative was inconsistent. All inconsistencies in spelling have been changed.
- In the acknowledgement section we have made two minor changes. The first is to add biostatistician in front of Mohammadreza Mohebbi. The second was to change Box Hill Hospital to Eastern Health.
- Finally in the reference list we noticed a spelling error in the first reference ‘Vidal et al 2008’. In the English translation an ‘s’ was missing from the word results. This has now been added.

Thank you for reviewing and accepting our manuscript for publication in implementation science.

Yours sincerely,

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