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Dear Editor

Kindly refer to below email indicating the corrections done by authors as requested.

Thank you, looking forward for publication of this manuscript.

Regards.



Prof KA Maboe

EDITOR COMMENT: REVISE TITLE

To aid our readers, and to maximize the accessibility of your manuscript, the title should have a clear, precise scientific meaning. Where possible, the title should be read as one concise sentence, without the use of punctuation (full stops, colons, hyphens, question marks etc.). Please could you re-write the title ensuring that it is informative and appropriate?

AUTHORS' RESPONSE

The title has been revised as:

Technology utilisation among caregivers in South African Old Age Homes.

EDITOR'S COMMENT

2.ACCORDANCE

We see that you have included a statement in the Methods indicating the study was approved by an appropriate institution. In addition to this, please can you confirm that all

methods were performed in accordance with the relevant guidelines and regulations by including a statement in the methods section to this effect? Kindly provide the FULL NAME OF THE GUIDELINES.

AUTHORS' RESPONSE

Ethical approval for this study was obtained from the University of South Africa (UNISA) at the College of Human Sciences Research Ethics Committee (Ref. No. 90167694). All methods were performed in accordance with the ethical principles outlined in the **Declaration of Helsinki** (2013 revision), the **South African National Department of Health Ethics in Health Research: Principles, Processes and Structures**, and the **Health Professions Council of South Africa** Guidelines for Good Practice in the Health Care Professions. The study also complied with the University of South Africa's research ethics policies and procedures.

EDITOR'S COMMENT

3.Consent to participate

We request all research involving human subjects, freely-given, informed consent to participate in the study must be obtained from participants (or their parent or legal guardian in the case of children under 16). Please could you provide a statement to this effect in the manuscript. Please find our policy and statement examples via the link below:

AUTHORS' RESPONSE

Voluntary informed consent to participate in the study was obtained from all caregivers prior to their participation.

EDITOR'S COMMENT

4. Consent to publish

All manuscripts must include a separate section entitled 'Consent to publish' and the relevant statement should be mentioned below it. If this is not applicable to your manuscript, please state "Not applicable".

AUTHORS' RESPONSE

Informed consent for the publication of the study findings was obtained from all caregivers before their participation in the study. A separate heading was added in the manuscript Of consent too publish . Refer to 2.6.1

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