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Dear Professor Ma and Dr Ma,

**Re: Second submission of manuscript (Manuscript No. 62159.R1)**

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to revise our invited review, entitled, "Effectiveness of digital psychotherapeutic intervention among perinatal women: A systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials" for publication in *World Journal of Psychiatry*. We have revised the manuscript according to the comments of the reviewers and the revisions are highlighted in blue in the revised manuscript. Our point-to-point responses are provided in the table below.

Yours sincerely,

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## Response to Reviewers

Dear reviewers,

Thank you for your valuable comments and suggestions. We did our best to address those and revise the manuscript. Our response to your comments is tabulated below and the amended contents are shown in blue colour in the revised manuscript.

	Comments	Author's responses
	<b>Editor-in-chief #1 comment</b>	
1	I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Psychiatry, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors.	Thank you for reviewing the peer-review report and our invited review.
	<b>Scientific Editor #1 comment</b>	
1	<p>1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a meta-analysis of the effectiveness of digital psychotherapeutic intervention among perinatal women. The topic is within the scope of the WJP. (1) Classification: Grade B and Grade A; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: The manuscript is very clear and well organized, and it is very detailed and well carried out. However, the high heterogeneities in the meta-analyses could have resulted in the low accuracy of the result. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; and (3) Format: There are 3 tables and 5 figures. A total of 94 references are cited, including 42 references published in the last 3 years. There is 1 self-citation.</p> <p>2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade A and Grade B. 3 Academic norms and rules: The authors provided the Biostatistics Review Certificate, and PRISMA 2009 Checklist. The authors need to provide the signed Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form and Copyright License Agreement. No academic misconduct was found in the Bing search. 4 Supplementary comments: This is an invited manuscript. The study was supported by 1 grant. The topic has not previously been published in the WJP. 5 Issues raised: The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor. 6 Re-Review: Required. 7 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.</p>	Thank you very much for the encouraging comment. Our review team has provided the original figure documents in PowerPoint version and ensured that all graphs are editable.
	<b>Reviewer #1 comment</b>	
1	Based on my experience as a statistician who has conducted many meta-analyses, though with no knowledge of psychotherapy, I find the manuscript to be very clear and well organized and the meta-analysis to be very detailed and well carried out. The only problems I have with the paper is that The English needs improvement in a few places. As the Word file was available to me, I have made a few suggested red-lined changes to the document which I have attached to my report.	Thank you very much for the encouraging comment. We have revised the manuscript according to the suggestions in the revised manuscript.

	Reviewer #2 comment	
1	<p>This systematic review provides evidence for the effectiveness of digital psychotherapeutic intervention in reducing psychological problems during the perinatal period. This review was reported according to the PRISMA statement. However, the high heterogeneities in the meta-analyses could have resulted in the low accuracy of the result. In addition, please provide the PROSPERO registration number in the manuscript.</p>	<p>Thank you very much for the encouraging comment. Regarding the high heterogeneities, our review team has highlighted under the limitation section of revised manuscript.</p> <p>Lastly, we registered the review protocol last year. However, the registration is still undergoing review with the PROSPERO team. We have provided the PROSPERO ID 226534 in the revised manuscript (Refer to Annex 1).</p>

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