

## Response to reviewers/editors

**Manuscript titled:** Radiation oncology practices during the COVID-19 pandemic in developing countries

**Manuscript ID:** 65902

I would like to thank you for your review and input, below is a point-to-point response in red:

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### Reviewer 1:

Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Accept (General priority)

Specific Comments to Authors: This manuscript was a mini review which focused on radiation oncology practices during the COVID-19 pandemic in developing countries. The authors introduced concerns and challenges which patients and health care providers have faced, and suggested methods to overcome them. This is a well-written paper that provides informative information. I found no problems concerning the manuscript.

Thank you for your review

### Reviewer 2:

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors: The authors provided the comprehensive strategies of radiation oncology practice during the COVID-19 pandemic in developing countries. I have no concern to publish this paper. However, I should recommend citing Prof. Conghua Xie's publications, as an excellent radiation oncologist, he did lots of work regarding radiation oncology practice during the COVID-19 pandemic in Wuhan, China and please make some detailed data in the manuscript.

Thank you for your input. We have added detailed data in second paragraph under "Practice Adaptation to COVID-19" section, Prof Conghua Xie's work was cited in references 8 and 18.

**Science editor:**

1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes an Editorial of the COVID-19 radiotherapy practice. The topic is within the scope of the WJCC. (1) Classification: Grade B and Grade C; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: This is a well-written paper that provides informative information. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; (3) Format: There is no table or figure; (4) References: A total of 16 references are cited, including 11 references published in the last 3 years; (5) Self-cited references: There is no self-cited reference.

2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade A and Grade B. A language editing certificate issued by Springer Nature was provided.

3 Academic norms and rules: No academic misconduct was found in the Bing search.

4 Supplementary comments: This is an invited manuscript. No financial support was obtained for the study. The topic has not previously been published in the WJCC.

5 Issues raised: (1) The "Author Contributions" section is missing. Please provide the author contributions; (2) PMID and DOI numbers are missing in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references. Please revise throughout. 6 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.

Thank you for reviewing and editing our manuscript.

Issues raised: (1) authors contribution is written in the first page.

(2) PMID and DOI were added to references list. All authors were listed in references.

**Company editor-in-chief:**

I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, the full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Clinical Cases, 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. Before final acceptance, the author(s) must add a table/figure to the manuscript.

Thank you for reviewing and editing our manuscript.

Figure 1 was added to the manuscript.