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Dear reviewers,

Thank you for your comments regarding our manuscript entitled 'Using National Census Data to Facilitate Healthcare Research'.

Regarding your point 'It should be mentioned in the conclusion that inaccurate data can also bring defects' we have accepted this and made changes in the conclusion to reflect this valid point.

We hope the new manuscript is deemed acceptable by yourselves for publication.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Michael Colwill