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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 14281-review.doc).

Title: Antecedents and sex/ gender differences in youth suicidal behavior

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1. The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers. We
 - (1) changed the title,
 - (2) slightly condensed the text (by 252 words) and
 - (3) specified the role of each author.
2. We did not include literature search strategies as per the request to condense the text.
3. We did not include the term 'parasuicide' based on the 'Lessons learned from the WHO/EURO Multicentre Study 'by De Leo et al. *Crisis* 2006; 27(1):4-15. See p. 9: "As the study progressed, the disadvantages of the term became more apparent. In addition to the confusion it created in both research and clinical practice, the term parasuicide appeared to be plagued by semantic difficulties, not being easily translatable into other languages (Bille-Brahe et al., 1994). To begin with, the prefix *para* causes problems: In several languages it means "similar to" or "resembling to," but also means "mimicking," "pretending;" a fact that is not true of all nonfatal suicidal behaviors. The nature of this term seems to address quite well those acts with no intention to die, but not very well what is commonly known as "failed suicide," where the intention to die was present but for reasons outside the control of the individual, the attempt at death was thwarted."
4. References and typesetting were corrected.

Thank you again for reviewing our manuscript for possible publication in the *World Journal of Psychiatry*.

Sincerely yours,

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