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Title: "Distance Caregiving a Family Member with Cancer: A Review of the Literature on Distance Caregiving & Recommendations for Future Research"

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Dear Editor Gong:

Thank you for inviting us to submit a paper last spring for your prestigious journal. We appreciate the comments from our two reviewers. They were both supportive and helpful in strengthening the manuscript.

We have attended to the requests from the Peer-Review Report and completed all the actions required on the publication site.

Of significance we have addressed the following comments from the Peer-Reviews

Reviewer Code: 02683167

- 1) Spelling checked for "wo" and changed to "who"
- 2) Last sentence on page 4, started sentence with a capital letter
- 3) Meaning of DCG 24/7 has been explained. Now states distance caregiver around the clock and every day of the week - instead of 24/7.
- 4) References have been redone to meet the format required

Reviewer Code: 03062291

- 1) Regarding the sample size. We have acknowledged that it is a pilot sample but the findings lay the groundwork for a larger study currently underway. We have removed the table as requested. Unfortunately, little work has been done in this area so it is difficult to cite others.
- 2) We included a sentence on the importance of the internet as the best available alternative as requested.
- 3) We apologize for misspells and have corrected DCG in the INTRO as well as other spelling or grammatical errors uncovered.
- 4) The region of the 7 million DCG refer to the US only and that statement was included.

Please let us know if you need any additional information of changes from us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Polly Mazanec