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Dear Editor,

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewer:

1. An additional section “***How the reporting system is used***” has been included prior to the Discussion Section which provides:
  - a. examples of how the described indicator reporting system is reviewed and commented upon by Medical Colleges;
  - b. expert commentary supporting the rationale for the optional nature of the CIs;
  - c. clarification of how the discussed reporting system is part of a two-tiered reporting system (one which involves reports for, and utilised by, individual healthcare organisations and the second, described in this article, which is primarily utilised by Medical Colleges and State Governments whereby CIs are commented upon from the perspective of the overall system of healthcare organisations).
2. The Discussion Section now includes discussion and clarification of the rationale, and in deed the need, for the ACHS CIs not being mandatory.

It is with great pleasure that we submit our revised manuscript for publication in the *World Journal of Clinical Cases*.

Sincerely,

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