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Dear editor,

Please find attached files of revised manuscript in word format

Title: Birthing Ball on Promoting Cervical Ripening and Its Influence on the Labor Process and the Neonatal Blood Gas Index

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First of all, thank you for your careful guidance of this article. Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer:

Reviewer: 05542796

Cervical maturity can promote cervical ripening, including the use of medicines such as oxytocin, dinoprostone suppositories, or misoprostol, and mechanical methods, such as the COOK balloon, low water bag or Foley catheter methods. A childbirth ball was found to accelerate the labor process of pregnant women and was applied in obstetrics. It has a certain auxiliary effect in relieving the degree of pain and tension in pregnant women, guiding the fetus into the basin and rotating. But few studies on whether it can promote cervical ripening. In this study, the authors explored the effect of a birthing ball on promoting cervical ripening and its influence on the labor process and the neonatal blood gas index in induced labor. This study is very interesting. The methods are clearly described, and the results are well discussed. A minor revision is required. 1. A minor editing is required to the manuscript. Some minor language polishing should be corrected. 2. The title is somewhat long, the reviewer suggests to change it to "Birthing Ball on Promoting Cervical Ripening and Its Influence on the Labor Process and the Neonatal Blood Gas Index". 3. The "Informed consent statement" should be the IRB statement? Please check and revise.

Thank you for your advice.

After receiving the comments:

1. We re-colored the language of the manuscript and corrected some language errors. 2. We require the title to be: "Birthing Ball on Promoting Cervical Ripening and Its Influence on the Labor Process and the Neonatal Blood Gas Index ". 3. We checked and revised the informed consent form.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the World Journal of Clinical Cases.

Sincerely Yours,

Qian Meng