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Dear Editor,



**Title:** Challenges of emerging adulthood- transition from paediatric to adult diabetes

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We thank the reviewers and the editor for the kind comments. Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 8771-review 1<sup>st</sup> revision.doc). The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers, with marked changes in red:

1 Format, references and typesetting have been updated as suggested

2 The responses to the comments by reviewers has been incorporated in the revised manuscript

(1) *Since the manuscript is submitted to World Journal of Diabetes, a brief overview of the global practices in this transition and the country specific existing model of care may be discussed.*

**Response:** We fully agree with this comment and have incorporated a paragraph on global practices in developing and more developed countries.

(2) *Though the prevalence of diabetes in pediatric population is being discussed, the country name is missing.*

**Response:** This has been added in the sentence (United States)

(3) *The age cut off for pediatrics is different in different countries. In discussing the transition from pediatrics to adult care, the age specification in United Kingdom need to be emphasized.*

**Response:** Majority of the patients involved are in the age group of 16 to 18 years. This has now been emphasized in the manuscript.

(4) *Since the subject involves psychosocial requirements, what will be the role of a counsellor/psychologist being actively involved in the transition clinics? Will this model require additional resources? Do the authors believe that the model can be easily replicated in clinics across the globe*

**Response:** We have added a paragraph on this section as below

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Diabetes*.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ananth U Nayak'.

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