

## **Responses to Reviewers:**

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Effect of low anterior resection syndrome on postoperative quality of life in patients with colorectal cancer: a retrospective observational study" (Manuscript NO.: 85237). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our research. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope to meet with approval. The main correction in the paper and the point-by-point responds to the reviewer's comments as follows:

### **Point-to-point response to Reviewer #1:**

Minor comments:

**Comment 1.** The manuscript requires a minor language editing. Some minor language polishing should be corrected, especially the title page.

**Answer:** We apologize for the poor language in our manuscript. Multiple additions and deletions obviously result in poor readability, also having native English speakers do language corrections, we really hope that the process and language level has improved substantially.

**Comment 2.** The limit of the study should be listed and discussed.

**Answer:** Thank you for your attention to this matter. We have added the limit of this study in the revised version. All patients included in this study are retrospective studies. According to the LARS risk prediction model established in this study, prospective perioperative nursing studies can be conducted, which will be the plan of further research.

**Comment 3.** The images should be updated. The words in the images are too small.

**Answer:** Thank you for your attention to this matter. We have changed the words size in the image in the revised version. And we use PowerPoint to prepare and arrange the figures to ensure that any graphs or arrows can be reworked by the editor.

**Comment 4.** The references should be updated.

**Answer:** Thank you for your attention to this matter. We have updated the references in the revised version.

### **Point-to-point response to Reviewer #2:**

**Comment:** Specific Comments to Authors: In this study, the authors found that the quality of life of patients after colorectal cancer surgery with low anterior resection syndrome is significantly reduced. The findings are interesting. The manuscript is overall well written. A minor editing is required before final acceptance.

**Answer:** Thank you for your interest and recognition of our research, In the revision of the manuscript, we made some minor changes and having native English speakers do language corrections, we really hope that this study will be published in the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*.