

Point by Point response to Reviewers for Manuscript No 27201

Reviewer #1 (00058872):

Put in evidence the small size of the selected population.

Author's Response: We have added this to the limitations section. Not exactly sure what put in evidence means.

Reviewer #2 (02446483):

Good manuscript, although the number of participants is small. This limitations has been raised by the authors. The manuscript may be interesting for publication, if the authors may add two points. They should add 1) what the participants may have taken as decision, if they would have been involved in a Delphi process. Delphi process is often used in PICUs. 2) An update and reference of three related papers: 1: Crossen SS, Wilson DM, Saynina O, Sanders LM. Outpatient Care Preceding Hospitalization for Diabetic Ketoacidosis. Pediatrics. 2016 May 20. pii: e20153497. [Epub ahead of print] PubMed PMID: 27207491. 2: Zucchini S, Scaramuzza AE, Bonfanti R, Buono P, Cardella F, Cauvin V, Cherubini V, Chiari G, d'Annunzio G, Frongia AP, Iafusco D, Maltoni G, Patera IP, Toni S, Tumini S, Rabbone I; Diabetes Study Group of The Italian Society For Pediatric Endocrinology And Diabetology. A Multicenter Retrospective Survey regarding Diabetic Ketoacidosis Management in Italian Children with Type 1 Diabetes. J Diabetes Res. 2016;2016:5719470. doi: 10.1155/2016/5719470. Epub 2015 Nov 15. PubMed PMID: 26649321; PubMed Central PMCID: PMC4662990. 3: Skitch SA, Valani R. Treatment of Pediatric Diabetic Ketoacidosis in Canada: A Review of Treatment Protocols from Canadian Pediatric Emergency Departments. CJEM. 2015 Nov;17(6):656-61. doi: 10.1017/cem.2015.56. PubMed PMID: 26461431. 4: Chafe R, Albrechtsons D, Hagerty D, Newhook LA. Reducing episodes of diabetic ketoacidosis within a youth population: a focus group study with patients and families. BMC Res Notes. 2015 Sep 1;8:395. doi: 10.1186/s13104-015-1358-7. PubMed PMID: 26323283; PubMed Central PMCID: PMC4553941.

Author's response: thank you for your thorough review. We have added the two points you have suggested and appreciate your excellent references.

1. I don't exactly understand this addition. We could have asked participants about management of DKA but since we did not I am not sure how to go backwards in time.
2. We have read and added the papers you suggest and appreciate the

Reviewer #3 (00742209):

Consider replacing the name for the control group with reference group. Consider not performing a statistical comparison between the post-test results for the intervention group and the pre-test results for the reference group (see figure 2) because these groups are not the same. Instead, the authors can compare the relative changes in the post-test results for each group (intervention vs. reference). Note the typographical error “Figure one” in paragraph two under results.

Author Response

1. We have changed the name from control group to reference group throughout manuscript
2. We have removed the comparison between post-test results for the intervention group and the pre-test results for the reference group as we agree the groups are not the same, thank you for this excellent point.
3. We have left in the relative changes in post-test results for each group.
4. Thank you for finding this error. This has been corrected.