Response to reviewers

**Dear Editor in Chief of the I*ndian Journal of Medical Ethics* (IJME)**

We would like to gratefully thank you for giving valuable comments on our manuscript. Your comments helped us improve the quality of the manuscripts.

Moreover, in what follows, we provide a detailed description about the revisions:

Reviewer B:

1. Title is ambiguous: The Nurse’s Role in Decision Making in **Transplanted (delete)** Kidney Donation **and transplantation** **(add)** – a qualitative research

Title was edited as follow:

**The Nurse's Role in Decision Making in kidney Donation and transplantation: A qualitative research**

**2.** Introduction – Some of the statements and references in this section are superfluous and/or incorrect. Given below are some examples -

a) *“The transplanted kidney donor could be dead or alive* ***(4).”- Incorrect reference***

b) *“Research has shown that the survival rate and quality of life in patients with a cadaveric transplanted kidney is more than those who received a kidney from a living donor* ***(5).”- Incorrect statement.***

*The reference cited actually reads -* Extensive worldwide experience with living kidney donation, the safety of unilateral nephrectomy in selected healthy living donors [[**43–45**](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1432-2277.2012.01510.x/full#b43)], the development of minimally invasive surgery, and the **superior results of living versus deceased donor kidney transplantation** [[**46**](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1432-2277.2012.01510.x/full#b46)], support the further development of living donation in Belgium.

c) *“Statistics show that every month more than 3,000 people will be added to the waiting list for Kidney transplantation. From which 12 people have lost their lives in each day. Therefore, about 4270 patients waiting for Kidney transplantation lost their lives by 2014* ***(10).”- Incorrect reference.***

d) *Annually 2500 Kidney transplantations are performed in Iran, two-thirds of them are transplanted from living donors and recipients and one-third belong to the patients with brain death****(13)****. –* ***This reference (below) could not be accessed.***

**The introduction was revised and the main contents of the introduction changed.**

**References were also revised.**

3. There are a lot of grammatical and syntax errors in the entire article which can be remedied.

***Example: Under “Counseling”  para 3 line 1* -** People who applied for kidney transplantation did not believe in **donating (should read receiving)** a kidney from the cadaver.

The article was edited in terms of language.

4. ***Incorrect statement*** ***by Nurse Consultant 2 during counseling*** – “…it is proven that life of people who had a kidney transplant from a deceased donor is longer than those who received a kidney from a living donor.” ***This*** ***reiterates authors’ incorrect statement (see 2b above) in the introduction, and therefore affects interpretation.***

The article was re-edited in terms of language.

Reviewer A

Abstract

The results and conclusions were revised.

Introduction

The introduction was revised,

False references were deleted.

Drafting errors were revised.

Methods:

The study aim was modified.

Sampling method was explained.

The reasons for choosing Ahvaz and Kurdistan were announced as the location of the project.

How to achieve data saturation was explained.

The duration of the study was added.

Qualitative study generalizability was eliminated.

A more comprehensive description of the data collection was made.

Interviews were gathered in Persian.

Vague sentences became clear.

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