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To

The Editor-in-Chief

Galen Medical Journal (GMJ)

Subject: Revision and resubmission of manuscript ID #1587

Dear Editor,

We are grateful to you for your letter and the opportunity to revise our manuscript on “**A Closer Look at the Validity and Reliability of the Persian Versions of National Institute of Health Stroke Scale and Modified National Institute of Health Stroke Scale in Hospitalized Patients**”. The suggestions offered by the reviewer have been immensely helpful, and we also appreciate your comments on revising the manuscript.

We exerted the reviewer comments immediately after receiving this letter and responded to them separately, indicating exactly how we addressed each concern or problem and describing the changes we have made. The revisions have been approved by two authors. The changes are marked in the manuscript track changes systems.

In order to expedite the review process, we designed a table to reply reviewers' comments. The manuscript revision has been performed by using the track changes mode in MS Word. We have modified the manuscript according to the suggestions raised by the reviewers and believe that the manuscript has been significantly improved. We hope it will now be suitable for publication in the Galen Medical Journal (GMJ).

Thank you again for considering our revised manuscript.

Yours sincerely,

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| **Original comments of the reviewer** | **Reply by the authors** | **Changes done on page number and line number** |
| **Reviewer A** | | |
| Thank you! We found your comments helpful and have revised accordingly. | | |
| 1. Please write a running title for this manuscript. | We have now added the following sentences as a running title.  **“Improving the quality of reports on psychometric studies”**  Please refer to the pages mentioned. | Page 1  Please see tracked changes. |
| 1. In the main text, the references number must be in bracket [ ]. | All reference numbers were entered in bracket [ ]. | Page 2-3  Please see tracked changes. |
| 1. The references must be written in Vancouver style. Some of the references need revision. You can download the GMJ Endnote style which available in http://www.gmj.ir. Listing references, follow abbreviate names of journals according to the journal list in PubMed. | Reference was made according to the Vancouver style. All journal names have been abbreviated according to the PubMed web. References were edited according to the journal guideline. | Page 3  Please see tracked changes. |
| 1. There are some grammar errors that need to be corrected. | We have edited the grammatical errors with the assistance of a native English language editor. | Page 2-3  Please see tracked changes. |

**Reply to the reviewer’ comments**