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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p>	<p>Background section. In this section, the references could be updated. For example, when authors stated: "Several studies have been done on knowledge, attitude and compliance with SPs in both developed and developing countries" it is easy to find more recent references. Authors could update the revision of the literature in this section.</p> <p>Study Instruments. Could Authors better describe the questionnaire used and its relative psychometric properties? What kind of changes have been made to the original instruments (Luo et al)? These changes could affect the psychometric properties of the instrument? Please clarify this aspect.</p> <p>Ethical considerations. Could Authors describe the modality of informed consent? Could it influence the anonymity and thus the participation?</p> <p>Result. Tables are not mentioned in the text and their position is not clear.</p> <p>Discussion. In this section, there is the need to find other evidence to support what authors discuss in several parts. For example when they say that: "the longer a healthcare worker spends in a health facility the more training on standard precaution he or she may have attended thus the more compliant he or she may be, seniority also means less workload and more time to comply with standard precautions"</p> <p>I believe that it would be interesting to deepen the discussion, especially regarding the difference among primary, secondary and tertiary health facilities that would help to better situate the related results.</p> <p>Limitation. Could Authors provide a reference for the following sentence: "health care workers tendency to give false information"?</p> <p>References. I noticed several inconsistencies in the bibliographic style.</p> <p>Data Management. Which criterion was used to clean the data collected? Please clarify this aspect.</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p>	<p>English. I don't feel qualified to judge about the English language and style but I think that the academic linguistic tone of the manuscript should be improved. I suggest a professional revision.</p>	



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<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The manuscript in general is quite objective.</p> <p>The issue of the paper is very interesting and actual. In fact, Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAIs) are a very important problem of Healthcare Systems and in particular of healthcare workers. Thus it is fundamental investigate factors related to the application of the most important prevention strategy as are Standard Precautions.</p> <p>Abstract is well structured and clear and it reports the fundamental topics of the study.</p> <p>The aim of the study is reported and clearly described;</p> <p>Tables are well structured (see also precedent comments)</p>	
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PART 2:

	<p>Reviewer's comment</p>	<p>Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</p>
<p>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</p>	<p><i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i></p>	

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