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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Journal of Advances in Medicine and Medical Research
Manuscript Number:	Ms_JAMMR_36667
Title of the Manuscript:	The Impact of Stigma and Discrimination on Adherence to Medication amongst People Living with HIV in Tiv Land, North Central Nigeria
Type of Article:	Original Research Article

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
<p>1. The article still not clear with objectives and assumptions of the researchers. See lines 11 and 12 for the major objective of this study. – if mentioned the impact of stigma and discrimination is major objectives , why the findings are still generalized? No where used the how much percentage was suffered from stigma? And how its influenced in your study participants?</p> <p>2. The article not shown the significance of the study in the analysis and as well in the conclusion? See lines 8 to 11 for significance of stud – where is the numerical values in your findings ?given only demographic data details?</p> <p>3. The abstract is not given nutshell of the study findings? The findings can be located in lines 19-22 of the abstract. Still its not given clear view of your study?</p> <p>4. In tools , nowhere mentioned whether it's a standardized tool and reliability of the tool ? No details given for eight page questionnaire ?</p> <p>5. In analysis , no where used the inferential statistics? Not all studies utilise inferential statistics. Descriptive studies use descriptive statistics. Why need to mention in in lines 119-121 which has provision for the Generalised Linear Regression with Cumulative Link, was used for the analysis of quantitative data.</p> <p>6. If study is mainly focused on the stigma and discrimination , - Include how many suffered with stigma and discrimination ? - Mentioned , Some of the HIV patients are stigmatised. Almost all respondents identified stigma and discrimination of PLWH in the area? How many ? What are all ways? - How you assessed the medication adherence? - An eight page questionnaire with closed and open ended questions was used. Not collecting drugs after they have been exhausted due to discrimination is enough evidence that the individual may discontinue the medication. Another study designed to ascertain the levels of adherence can be a follow up to this one. - Ok , your next study following adherence values? But you are mentioned what is there current level of adherence ?</p>	



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<p>- Not given details of how many in optimal and suboptimal level?</p> <p>7. In discussion , can include some latest references and co-ordinate the data with study findings?</p> <p>Relevant literatures have been cited. More studies are on stigma and utilisation of services but less on adherence to medication.</p> <p>You mentioned reference numbers are,3,7,9,10, kindly check the year of publications , its mentioned only 2012 is the last year .</p> <p>7. write some latest references which little more significance in your study.</p> <p>Included the 24 Reference number in 2017 study, but no where mentioned the study findings in superscript number.</p> <p>I think the reference written also not in prescribed format , kindly follow the same style in all references.</p>	
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