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Title of the Manuscript:	An Evaluation of Meningitis Surveillance in Northern Ghana
Type of the Article	Short Research Article

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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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	1- No mention of viral and fungal meningitis 2- Repeated statements are confusing , they can be assigned to their appropriate section once only. 3- The structuring and flow of presentation can be tremendously improved if collected data is summarized and not loosely scattered. The current surveillance system that was under investigation must be clearly represented with all details that can stand alone as a single illustration (chart/figure)	Thanks for your insightful comments. These comments have helped improve our article. The evaluation focused on bacterial meningitis in northern Ghana. Although viral and fungal meningitis have been reported elsewhere, such forms of meningitis are very rare in northern Ghana. Also, repeated statements have been removed and placed in their appropriate sections.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Confusion about using past/present tenses especially in the results section. Suggested changes and comments are shown on attached revised document	Most of your suggested changes and comments such as tenses, paraphrasing, suggested reference etc. have been incorporated in the revised manuscript.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Please state your recommendations and conclusions in a very direct short sentences Since they are very important, I believe they are excellent recommendations and wish that officials and decision makers implement most of them especially educating the community through CBSVs.	