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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	1Case-controlled study would have been nice, and led more credence to your findings. 2 How did u calculate sample size? Page 2 line 34- Include finance and large family size Page 2 line 35- "Factors" ambiguous- does it mean Nutritional Page 4 Clinical assessment- Please make complete sentences instead of phrases Page 5 line 115-116- Please look up for the ethical considerations.	1. Yes, agreed case control would have been better 2. Sample size was calculated based on prevalence of 92% from a study in Enugu by Arodiwe <i>et al.</i> using the formula $n = 1.96^2 \times 0.92 \times 0.08 / 0.05^2$ Arrived at 113 subjects but because of the exclusion criteria listed, that size was not attained. Other studies in Nigeria by Okoromah and Arodiwe and others like in Uganda did not use a calculated sample size. However, they reported on the number of patients seen during their study period. Similar studies did use a calculated sample size. 3. Line 34: Included poverty and large family size 4. Line 35: Factors predisposing to malnutrition 5. Pages 4: lines 79 to 82 have been corrected 6. Page 5: chloral hydrate was used for some of them
Minor REVISION comments	grammatical corrections	noted
Optional/General comments	The study is good	