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Type of the Article	Clinical Practice Articles

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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		
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	1- You mention inclusion chertiaria had an average income 53 level (US \$50-\$100) per what? Month/year 2- The author mention no dietary restriction for religion why? Should explain 3- Study were done on Kampala, Busia, Mbende, Mbende General Hospital HIV Clinic, and Masafu General Hospital HIV Clinic in Uganda , the author mention written consent , but what about ethical committee as we take about HIV patients. 4- The author mention measured using an electric weight scale , this should be calibrated and compared with certified calibrated scale for quality assurance 5-WHO criteria for BWI score should be mention. 5- Copy of quiteniores survey should be mention 6- The author should mention type of meals , protein, carbohydrates, lipid , vitamins , fruits 7- Is there were any association between BMI and length , this should be mention, also Age factors 8- There were not discussion , should mention, compare with other country --- 9- Conclusion were very long 10- Effect of medication should mention on result as factor.	At first, I would like to appreciate for giving us valuable comments. I agree with all indicated matters. They may influential to nutritional condition of multitude subjects. Honestly, I thought could take enough information for BMI verification when I left Uganda. However, every comment reminded me how it is important to narrow necessary information even in a limited time and resources. Especially with regard to nutrients, we collected type of meals, then classified as I mentioned in the text. Nevertheless, concluded should not mention it after all. As a reason, it revealed in the discussion with collaborator that no necessary information such as cooking method, seasoning to prove the relevance with nutritional condition. In addition, more details about the effects of medication were needed as comment shows. Surely, ART strongly affects to daily activities of people living with HIV and AIDS too. I still regret that I could not take such necessary information, but lots of forthcoming challenges are found. It is learning predict and narrow necessary points for the investigation accurately. Clinical skills for expression as well.



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		I probably take part in survey related to HIV issues here after, and it might be needed to sum up data in a short time then. Therefore, I am utilizing knowledge which I learnt from this precious experience.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		