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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Please refer to the comment below COMMENTS: Introduction The paper fit the themes and scope of this journal. The research research objectives of this paper are clear; however, this section can be improvised by: 1) Including the explanation on the current healthcare services in Northwestern Nigeria so that the reader has a clear view about the situation. You can explain on the healthcare facilities, healthcare utilization, accessibility of healthcare, types of healthcare providers (especially on PMDs) and PHIS (as this is different country by country) 2) Line 31 – international organization? (please mention the organization) 3) Line 37-38 – low facility utilisation is often a reflection of poor quality of services and poor attitude of staff- please explain more about this 4) Line 65 – why do you explain about PCA and Oyedeki's method? Did you used this for your methodology? Why Oyedeki's method? Materials and Methods 1) Line 88 - Does the selected settlements	



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	represent the whole population? 2) Line 104 – move this sentence to line 93 3) Line 101- explain in detail about the adapted questionnaire. 4) Line 102- not selected for the study immediately after training to check for (reword this sentences) 5) Line 105- SPSS version 22 computer statistical software (please find the proper way to write this). Recommendation: Data was cleaned, manually entered and analysed using SPSS statistics version 22 6) Line 111- descriptive statistics and chi-square test were done (recommendation: were performed) Results Some of the data are not in the table. Make sure the data in the table and paragraph are tally. Example Hausa by tribe, resides in urban area 1) Line 117 - ± 12.6 (omit this) 2) Line 125 – chart title (delete that) 3) Line 147 – visited least 31 (31 what) 4) Line 149 – 159 – please find the correct way to report chi-square 5) Line 165 – table 4: formatting of the table (please check) Discussion 1) Line 182 – PMD – explain more about this. Readers are not sure about this as we are not familiar about the healthcare system in your country 2) Line 191- 192 – why? Do you have any idea about this?	
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	3) Line 198 – 199 – reword this sentence. I cannot understand it clearly 4) Line 202- on the poor people more than the rich – why? How does this effect the utilisation? 5) Line 225 – please cite this 6) Line 231- line 233 – what is the contributing factor to this? Please discuss 7) Line 255 – buttressed – change to other word as it is not suitable Conclusion 1) Line 269- brought to the fore (change to other word) 2) How this result useful for policy recommendations? References 1) Please check the proper format for the references	
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