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Erratum

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The title of the article, "Association Between Patient-Reported Measures of Psychological Distress and Patient Satisfaction Scores After Spine Surgery," by Abtahi et al. (2015 May 20;97[10]:824-8) should have read "Association Between Patient-Reported Measures of Psychological Distress and Patient Satisfaction Scores in a Spine Surgery Patient Population." This change has been made to reflect the fact that not all patients had undergone surgery when they completed their questionnaires. This title has also been corrected in the linked Commentary and Perspective, "New Findings Highlight the Misdirected Utilization of Patient Satisfaction Surveys and the Importance of Patient Psychology in General Medical Care" by Barth. In addition, the last sentence in the Background paragraph of the Abstract of the article by Abtahi et al., which had previously read "The goal of this study was to determine whether psychological distress influences outpatient satisfaction scores following spine surgery," should have read "The goal of this study was to determine whether psychological distress influences outpatient satisfaction scores in a spine surgery patient population." In the last sentence before the Materials and Methods section, the statement "Our aim in conducting this study was to determine whether psychological distress, as measured with the Distress and Risk Assessment Method (DRAM) questionnaire, influences outpatient satisfaction scores following spine surgery" should have read "Our aim in conducting this study was to determine whether psychological distress, as measured with the Distress and Risk Assessment Method (DRAM) questionnaire, influences outpatient satisfaction scores in a spine surgery patient population." Finally, for increased clarity, the second sentence in the Materials and Methods section, "Every patient who completed both a patient satisfaction survey and a DRAM questionnaire for the same encounter at any point during the study period was included in this study," should have read "Every patient who completed both a patient satisfaction survey and a DRAM questionnaire for the same encounter, before or after the surgery, at any point during the study period was included in this study."