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To: "Jenny Wu"

From: "The Green Journal" em@greenjournal.org

Subject: Your Submission ONG-22-1393

RE: Manuscript Number ONG-22-1393

TikTok and #IUD: the user experience with intrauterine devices on social media

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Thank you for sending us your work for consideration for publication in Obstetrics & Gynecology. Your manuscript has been reviewed by the Editorial Board and by special expert referees. The Editors would like to invite you to submit a revised version for further consideration.

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Introduction - No comments

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Results - Line 41 - see previous comments about adding N's if space allows.

Line 44 - Any more granularity to add to this comment?

Discussion - No comments

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Jason Wright, MD and John O. Schorge, MD Editor-in-Chief Obstetrics & Gynecology

Dear Dr. Wright and Dr. Schorge,

We are grateful for the opportunity to submit revisions for our research letter entitled "TikTok and #IUD: the user experience with intrauterine devices on social media" for consideration for publication in *Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to revise this manuscript, in which we have hoped to adequately address the reviewer, statistical, and editorial office comments. Of note we have received IRB exemption for this research study. See below for our point-by-point revisions.

We submitted this project as an abstract for the Conference for Society of Family Planning. Otherwise, we confirm that this work is original and has not been published elsewhere, nor is it currently under consideration for publication elsewhere. We intend not to submit elsewhere unless a final negative decision is made. We have no conflicts of interest to disclose.

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Thank you for your consideration of this manuscript.

Sincerely,

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Dear editors of Obstetrics & Gynecology,

Thank you for the opportunity to revise our manuscript entitles "TikTok and #IUD: the user experience with intrauterine devices reported on social media" (ONG-22-1393).

We have provided responses to each of the questions from the editors below. We would be happy to provide any additional information that may be needed.

Sincerely,

Jenny Wu

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Thank you for the comment. We revised the title.

"TikTok and #IUD: the user experience with intrauterine devices reported on social media"

2. Abstract - If space allows consider adding the absolute N and not just the % for the various videos.

We have added the absolute N and % throughout. As suggested by the reviewer, because of limitations in the word count, this does constrain our ability to address some of the other reviewer suggestions. We defer to the editors and reviewers about whether reverting to reporting % only would be preferred given space constraints.

- 3. Introduction No comments
- 4. Methods Line 25 Not being a user of TikTok how does one know that the videos selected were in fact the top 100?

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify. In searching by hashtag, the top 100 videos are ranked by the number of users who have "liked" the video. This has been clarified within the manuscript.

The underlying question—reflecting why videos are ranked highly—is somewhat complex as the TikTok algorithm is proprietary to the parent company, ByteDance.

We invite you to read more from the TikTok company about their recommendation algorithm: https://newsroom.tiktok.com/en-us/how-tiktok-recommends-videos-for-you

5. Line 29 - How often was arbitration needed?

There was not space to include detail on the frequency of arbitration in the manuscript. In reviewing the frequency of arbitration, we broke it down into three areas: 1) coded elements about the videos 2) DISCERN 3) PEMAT.

The primary reviewers disagreed most frequently about tone (30 disagreements) and accuracy of facts (33 disagreements). In the case of tone, the primary reviewers never disagreed on whether a video was positive versus negative. Rather, one reviewer might have thought it was positive while the other thought it was ambiguous or neutral.

The modified DISCERN scale had the following elements and breakdown of agreement and disagreement between reviewers.

- 1. Are the explanations given in the video clear and understandable? 78 agree, 20 disagree
- 2. Are useful reference sources given? 93 agree, 5 disagree
- 3. Is the information in the video balanced and neutral? 76 agree, 22 disagree
- 4. Are additional sources of information given from which the viewer can benefit? 93 agree, 5 disagree
- 5. Does the video evaluate areas that are controversial or uncertain? 81 agree, 17 disagree

PEMAT A/V had the following elements and breakdown of agreement and disagreement.

- 1. The material makes its purpose completely evident 72 agree, 26 disagree
- 2. The material uses common, everyday language 74 agree, 24 disagree
- 3. Medical terms are used only to familiarize audience with terms. When used, medical terms are defined 43 agree, 55 disagree (variation in many videos that did not define IUD, but used IUD in an understandable way)
- 4. The material uses active voice -63 agree, 35 disagree.
- 5. The material breaks or "chunks" information into short sections N/A (very short material)
- 6. The material's sections have informative headers N/A (very short material)
- 7. The material presents information in a logical sequence 76 agree, 22 disagree
- 8. The material provides a summary N/A (very short material)
- 9. The material uses visual cues to draw attention to key points N/A (video)
- 10. Text on the screen is easy to read 82 agree, 16 disagree

- 11. The material allows the user to hear the words clearly 92 agree, 7 disagree
- 12. The material uses illustrations and photographs that are clear and uncluttered 77 agree, 21 disagree
- 13. The material uses simple tables with short and clear row and column headings -N/A (no tables)
- 14. The material clearly identifies at least one action the use can take 83 agree, 15 disagree
- 15. The material addresses the user directly when describing actions 83 agree, 15 disagree
- 16. The material breaks down any action into manageable, explicit steps -88 agree, 10 disagree
- 17. The material explains how to use the charts, graphs, tables, or diagrams to take action -N/A (no charts, graphs, tables, diagrams)

For questions 14-16, there was initial difference in congruence due to inconsistent use of 0 or N/A. When reviewing the PEMAT guidelines, the scale is graded as 0 (disagree) or 1 (agree). Once this was arbitrated, the average actionability was recalculated and is now 17.7%, as reflected in the manuscript, with a standard deviation of 33.9%.

6. Results - Line 41 - see previous comments about adding N's if space allows.

Thank you for your comment. We have added the N as indicated.

7. Line 44 - Any more granularity to add to this comment?

Thank you for your comment. We unfortunately do not have space to offer further detail. Content creators frequently discussed how their healthcare professional did not talk about the pain involved in the procedure, side effects associated with the procedure, and were unresponsive to concerns.

We have provided some transcribed descriptive comments that highlighted distrust:

"maybe they don't want us...to know...about it?"

"nowhere did I find anything that told me it was going to be so painful I would pass out then projectile vomit"

"there are actual gynecologists in my comments...gaslighting other people who have had similar experiences with iud insertion... I didn't go to the gynecologist for 3 years after I got my iud"

"my cervix was violated"

On the other hand, we wanted to highlight a comment that highlighted trust with their healthcare provider in one video, when a provider offered anesthesia for an IUD insertion:

"I have never had a doctor take me that seriously, that quickly"

8. Discussion - No comments

Tables/Figures -

9. Figure 1 - Does "#" need to be added to IUD in the first box?

Thank you for your suggestion. This was added to figure 1.

10. Table 1 - For ethnicity, do individuals with accounts that create videos select this or was this an interpretation of their appearance?

Our reviewers searched through the creator's user profile and other social media platforms (Instagram, Twitter, website) to evaluate for self-identifiable demographic information including race and ethnicity. When this was not available this was subjectively interpreted. We have removed reporting of race and ethnicity to comply with journal reporting requirements.

Reviewer #2:

1. Line 26:

Elaborate more on how Apify works

Thank you for this question. There unfortunately is not space to include further discussion in the manuscript. Apify is a website platform in which developers can share ready-made tools for users to extract data and web scraping. Web scraping is a program tool to automatically extract data from websites or sites such as TikTok, YouTube or Google as opposed to manually compiling the data.

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Unclear on how the videos were distributed (or not) between the reviewers. Clarify on the background of these reviewers, why and how they were chosen.

This would help understand the results mentioned in lines 54-56 better.

Thank you for your question. The manuscript was updated to clarify. E.T., M.H., and J.W. reviewed all 100 videos. E.T. and M.H. independently compiled user demographics, content information, and evaluated health information and video quality on two standardized scales, PEMAT and DISCERN. J.W. arbitrated any differences between reviewers. All reviewers were oriented to standardized coding and use of scales.

"Two independent reviewers (E.T. and M.H.) performed standardized video coding on all 100 videos with another reviewer (J.W.) to arbitrate differences. We used two standardized scales to assess quality: a modified 5-point DISCERN scale to evaluate information quality and the Patient Education Materials Assessment Tool (PEMAT) to evaluate understandability and actionability of each video.(6, 7)"

Given space constraints, we did not give detail on the reviewers' background outside the title page. E.T. and M.H. are both graduate medical students. J.W. is a resident in Obstetrics & Gynecology. J.W. and J.S. were responsible for idea formation. E.T. and M.H. were chosen due to their interest in contraception and reproductive health. The three video reviewers also are TikTok users.

3. Lines 29-30:

We used a modified 5-point DISCERN scale to 30 evaluate information quality and the Patient Education Materials Assessment Tool (PEMAT) to evaluate understandability and actionability of each video.

More description is needed regarding the scale and tool mentioned here. Why these were used and how they function. Also, their definitions need to be moved under Abstract lines 12&13. DISCERN is a scale

Thank you for your suggestion. We defer to the editors on whether we might exceed word count limits to include further detail. We unfortunately do not have space in the abstract to offer further detail.

DISCERN is a standardized scale used to evaluate consumer health information and quality in publications. DISCERN is a commonly used scale with originally 16 questions to evaluate the quality of health information. We used a modified DISCERN scale of 5 questions that has been previously used in studies that evaluated video information.

PEMAT is another commonly used standardized scale to assess patient education material in particularly in two domains: understandability and actionability. There are 13 questions under understandability that evaluate content, word choice and style, use of numbers, organization, layout and design and use of visual aids. There are 4 questions under actionability that evaluate actions the user can take. Some questions are non-applicable to short video format, and were calculated as NA.

We picked these two scales due to their prevalent use in other social media health education literature. Of validated measures we reviewed, these two were the most applicable to this video format even though, as we note in limitations, the measures are not ideal for this medium.

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Video types included 38 personal patient experience with placement and removal of IUDs (32%), educational (30%), and humorous (24%) (Table 1).

The table uses the term insertion vs placement in the text. Is there a difference?

Thank you for the suggestion. Insertion and placement were previously used interchangeably. We now consistently use placement throughout the manuscript to avoid confusion.

5. Placement/insertion and Removal add up to 31% not 32%.

We have updated our % to correct this error.

6. Here it would be helpful to separate the two in the text as placement is significantly higher 28% than insertion 8% and could have a higher link to the negative experience.

Thanks for this point. Our data demonstrated that all but one video about IUD removal had a negative tone. Therefore, we combined these data points together in part to save space in this short research brief.

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1. Table 1: Need units for age.

Thank you for your suggestion. This was added as you suggested.

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We have now omitted racial and ethnic categories used in the initial draft of the submission. On review, we do not believe our categorization was consistent with these standards. Our reviewers searched through the creator's user profile and other social media platforms (Instagram, Twitter, website) to evaluate for self-identifiable demographic information including race and ethnicity. When this was not available this was subjectively interpreted.

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