

Author Responses to Reviewer Comments

Reviewer Comment	Author Response	Manuscript Edits
Reviewer #1		
The manuscript is well written and English is fluent. Because this study is only superficial investigation for factors and similar articles are numerous, the creativity is lowered. Only a few typing defects or doubts require clarification:	Thank you for your candid evaluation of the study.	n/a
1. In Abstract, Methods: LOS should be fully spelled.	Thank you. We have corrected this in the abstract.	Potential variables associated with increased hospital length of stay (LOS) were obtained...
2. In Ref. 16: J Bone Joint Surg (Am)?	Yes, we have corrected the reference.	Martsof GR, Barrett ML, Weiss AJ, Kandrack R, Washington R, Steiner CA, Mehrotra A, SooHoo NF, Coffey R. Impact of race/ethnicity and socioeconomic status on risk-adjusted hospital readmission rates following hip and knee arthroplasty. <i>J Bone Jt Surg [Am]</i> 2016;98:1385–91 [DOI: 10.2106/JBJS.15.00884]
3. In Table 1: last column, hr: min?	Yes, we have edited the table	Surgery End Time (hr:min)
4. The statistical methods should be explained in the text of Methods and how to read in Results. In Table 2: Why Constant has p-value of 0.004? It was not mentioned in the text.	Text was added to explain the Constant or baseline regression model and how to interpret the results.	In our study population, the Constant (or baseline regression model) for LOS was 22.7 hours (p=0.004). Adding or subtracting beta coefficients for other factors predicts individual patient LOS.
5. In Table 2: the value is different from the Results. For female (0.011 or 0.012), for surgery end time (0.004 or 0.040)?	Thank you for catching the typos. Values were verified and corrected to 0.012 (female) and 0.040 (surgery end time) in the text and Table 2.	Gender (Female) 0.012 Surgery End Time 0.040
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Authors should have prepared their manuscripts according to manuscript type and the appropriate categories.	Author contributions, audio core tip, and article highlights were added to the manuscript.	Sections added to the manuscript.