

Author's response to reviews

Title: Public sector nurses in Swaziland: can the downturn be reversed?

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Dear sir or madam,

I am herewith resubmitting to you the reworked manuscript of our paper originally entitled "Out-migration and HIV/AIDS depleting HRH in the public sector in Swaziland".

We have, as far as possible, taken into account the comments of the reviewers and have also updated our manuscript with new findings from another field visit to Swaziland in December 2005. This second visit made it possible to illustrate measures that are being taken to counter the HRH crisis and to make a number of different projections of their potential impacts on the health workforce. We have thus retitled our paper as "Public sector nurses in Swaziland: Can the downturn be reversed?" As suggested by the reviewers, we conclude the paper with a number of recommendations for further HRH research in Swaziland.

Our paper contains one figure and three tables which we are sending in separate files.

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