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Journal Name:	Asian Journal of Pregnancy and Childbirth
Manuscript Number:	Ms_AJPCB_116617
Title of the Manuscript:	A COMPARISON OF THE ORAL HEALTH STATUS BETWEEN PREGNANT WOMAN AND NON-PREGNANT WOMEN OF CHILDBEARING AGE (15-44 YEARS) IN MILITARY 103 HOSPITAL, VIENTIANE CAPITAL, LAO PDR
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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p> <p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p> <p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p> <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p>	<p>The article examines the dental status of pregnant women and compares it with non-pregnant women. Pregnant women are known to be at risk of oral issues due to nausea, difficulty in brushing, and hormonal changes.</p> <p>Title is lengthy. Consider revising it to ORAL HEALTH STATUS OF PREGNANT WOMAN VERSUS NON-PREGNANT WOMEN OF CHILDBEARING AGE (15-44 YEARS) IN LAO PDR</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes. Please include IRB approval number.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>References are appropriate</p> <p>Less information should be included about the geography of Lao PDR in the Introduction.</p> <p>The aim of the study should be clarified in the last line of the Introduction. Also include a null hypothesis.</p>	
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<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The manuscript is overall well-written; however, worsened oral health in pregnant women is a worldwide known phenomenon. The authors should focus in the discussion on how these findings can aid in developing targeted treatment plans for this population.</p>	

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