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Dear Dr. Ogbuoji

BMJ-2019-054107 entitled "Economic consequences of better health: insights from clinical data"

Thank you for sending us this paper and giving us the chance to consider your work.

Unfortunately we do not consider it suitable for publication in its present form. However if you are able to amend it in the light of our comments, we would be happy to consider it again.

The editors' comments are listed below:

The paper is improved but requires further revision:

- 1 The writing style is quite clunky. Try to write simpler sentences.
- 2 An explanation of macroeconomics and microeconomics would help readers.
- 3 Are there really no other examples apart from HIV? It seems unlikely. Not even ones that are less robust but reasonable?
- 4 What about economic analyses that have accompanied trials and studies for many years?,
- 5 What about concepts like QALYs and DALYs? Don't they help?
- 6 There is some repetition.
- 7 The conclusion should be more succinct.

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