**Editorial Office**

The Editor-in-Chief

Prof. M. Concha

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Dear Editor-in Chief

We would like to submit the manuscript entitled “**Spirituality in the Occupational Therapy Community Fieldwork Process: A qualitative study in the South African context**" as part of PhD thesis. By T.G. Mthembu, L. Wegner and N.V Roman which we would like to, submit for publication as an original article in the South African Journal of Occupational Therapy. The current manuscript was edited by a language editor and a letter is included in the submission as an evidence to indicate the completion of language editing (below this letter on page 2).

This study has been conducted in partial fulfillment of obtaining a PhD degree through publication track at the University of the Western Cape under the supervision of Professor Lisa Wegner (second author) and Nicolette Roman (third author) both were critical reviewers before submission. This study will contribute in the design and development of guidelines to integrate spirituality and spiritual care in occupational therapy education. Ethical approval for the PhD study was obtained from the University of the Western Cape, Senate Ethics Committee and Research Committee (ethical clearance: 14/4/18). I have applied for funding to conduct the research.

I would be grateful if our request would be taken into consideration by the Editorial board of South African Journal of Occupational Therapy. The manuscript forms stage three of phase one of the larger study design-based research with mixed methods.

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I look forward to hearing from you in due time regarding our request for permission to include the manuscript in PhD thesis.

Yours Sincerely

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**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

This is to state that I, Isobel Blake, edited independently and professionally an article entitled “Perceptions of Spirituality in the Occupational Therapy Community Fieldwork Process”. My brief was to check the article for spelling and grammatical errors and syntax, and ensure that the English overall was correct and of a standard for submission to the university. At no time did I make any changes to the context or format of the article, which is still true to its original state.

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