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Dear Dr. Gabr:

I would like to submit our manuscript entitled “In-home Drug Storage in Older Adults” for your consideration as a *Journal of Geriatric Medicine* research article.

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The purpose of this study was to examine in-home drug storage compliance in older adults. A cross-sectional and descriptive design was adopted that 117 older adults in Hong Kong were recruited. An in-home Drug Storage Checklist was used to assess the in-home drug storage environment and the in-home drug storage method. Findings of this study showed older adults failed to fully comply with in-home drug storage in terms of drug storage environment and drug storage method, and older adults who were in advanced age, less educated and living alone had lower in-home drug storage compliance. Ethics approval was obtained from the Research Ethics Committee of The Open University of Hong Kong. Each participant was given an information sheet explaining the purpose of study, and written consent was obtained from all participants prior to the study. We would like to express our appreciation to all the older adults participated in this study.

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