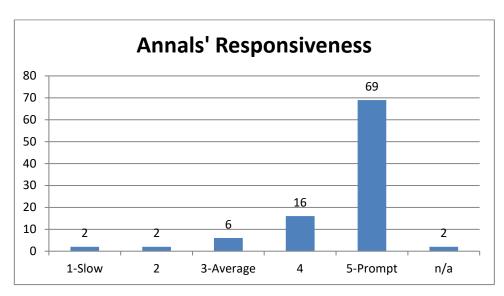
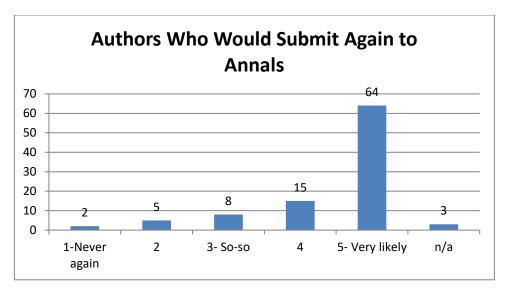
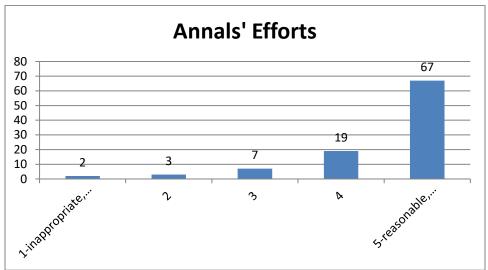
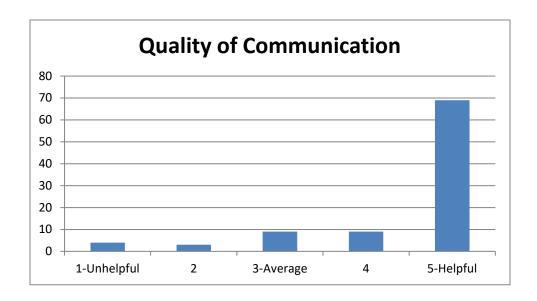
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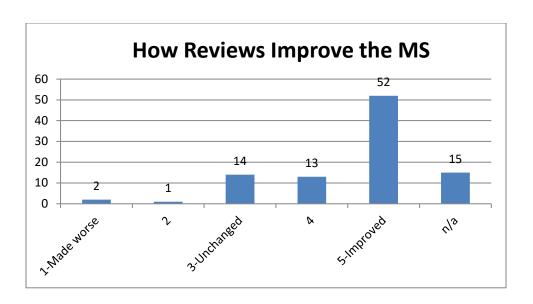
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Authors' Comments:

Prompt reviews. Thoughtful responses from editor and reviewers.

The reviewer comments were very helpful in assisting our team with editing our manuscript drafts. I think the knowledge peer reviewers shared with us about our own paper.

So fast. Very considerate!

Clear directions on what was needed to submit and revise.

All three reviewers provided excellent, well-thought-out, critical feedback that greatly improved the manuscript. As authors, we felt very proud of our initial submissions, and all feel that the reviewers' feedback was crucial in improving it. We all feel that this is at least in part due to careful selection of the reviewers from *Annals of Emergency Medicine*.

Very thoughtful comments by the editor. It felt like they saw the potential and wanted to help my paper to be the best it could be.

Outstanding input from all reviewers. Although the article was essentially "skewered," I am very impressed with the quality of the advice offered and added insight. No author likes to face a barrage of critique, but yet I know the revised manuscript will be that much greater due to the incredible work by your reviewers. As someone who has published in many different clinical journals, I truly am impressed and applaud this journal's dedication to quality.

The reviewers' comments were very constructive and helped strengthen the conclusion that we drew. After the peer review process, I felt even more confident in the assertions made in my Discussion section. Very quick and courteous responses. Concrete suggestions that improved the quality of my manuscript. Very rapid turnaround after submission - best I have had and a strong selling point for submission. Comments were helpful and review was courteous.

Prompt responses, editors clearly took time to understand data being presented and offered thoughtful suggestions to improving the manuscript.

Honestly, despite that there was more feedback than ever before on anything I've submitted to a journal, this was the highest quality feedback I've ever received. It really improved the quality of the manuscript. I am quite pleased.

Very thoughtful communication by the editor and some tangible tips that made the article better. Despite the rejection of our manuscript, we received a respectful and very helpful letter.