



SDI Review Form 1.6

PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	2013_IJTDH_3684
Title of the Manuscript:	Gastroenteritis Outbreak in a Senior High School, Akwapim North District, Eastern Region-Ghana, 2012

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PART 2: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(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)</i>
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	In the interest of speed I have appended their manuscript that I have edited due to a large number of grammatical and structural errors. Also can you address 1) female preponderance of diarrhea (health status, use of boreholes ,etc ? Did both genders use all 3 boreholes ?2) your definition of a diarrheal illness needs to be provided in the methods section 3) line 185 needs a reference 4)line 199 needs to be modified suggest " chlorination of the boreholes water coupled with education about food safety and personal hygiene was temporally associated with containment of the diarrheal outbreak."	Thanks you so much and grateful for the review 1. The boreholes and the food vendors from the school canteen are located near the female dormitories. The index case was a female who went to eat at the school canteen with her female friends Both genders use the three boreholes 2. the case definition of the diarrhoea illness has been provided at that section 3. http://water.epa.gov/drink/contaminants/basicinformation/ecoli.cfm 4. This has been done "Chlorination of the boreholes water, coupled with education on food safety and personal hygiene were initiated based on our recommendations and these measures were temporally associated with containment of the outbreak."
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		