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PART 1:

Journal Name:	International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE & Health
Manuscript Number:	2013_IJTDH_6468
Title of the Manuscript:	STIGMA AND HIV/AIDS IN SOUTH AFRICA: A CAUTIONARY TALE OF RESPECT AND ADHERENCE

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
1. Check for spelling in paragraph four of your abstract (methodology) 2. The first paragraph is too long for just three authors and it is not clearly stated whether this was direct quotations or inferences 3. Paragraph one of the results should not be stated in numbers since it is a qualitative information. Results are presented in aggregate form through themes or categories. Use terms used in qualitative research and not quantitative Mind you avoid "we" see paragraph one of the results. You may even do away with the first two sentences, they add no value 4. Add new terms to your dictionary i.e. destigmatization, stigmatisation univariate etc 5. Please check for spelling across 6. Try to show the value and impact of this study to the participants and those offering the treatment especially in your conclusions	The spelling in the abstract has been corrected. If it is meant to be the first 'section ' is too long., this may be true. But we are convinced that these literature summaries on S Africa, stigma, adherence and policy are the right level and reduction would be quite difficult. We have ensured we have only used numbers to describe sample characteristics – men, women, rural, urban – and not to report qualitative findings. L146-8 We have been removed. L144 All are defined in text. Univariate L104-5 Checked Points of departure for policy-makers have been added. L316-22