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The editorial office has been notified of the following errors.

In the Abstract, Table 1, and the Measures, Results, and Discussion sections, the comorbidity category “rheumatoid arthritis” should instead have been presented as “various joint-related conditions, including rheumatoid arthritis/collagen disease.”

In addition, the authors would like to clarify one of this study’s limitations. As the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) data only used the first three digits of International Classification of Diseases, 9<sup>th</sup> Revision (ICD-9) codes, the authors had to simplify the Elixhauser Comorbidity Index<sup>1</sup> based on the first three digits of the ICD-9 codes, as shown in the study’s Appendix Table 1. Thus, caution must be exercised when interpreting the results of this study.

## REFERENCE

1. Concept: Elixhauser Comorbidity Index. <http://mchp-appserv.cpe.umanitoba.ca/viewConcept.php?printer=Y&conceptID=1436>. Updated January 17. Accessed April 20, 2020.