**[Prison as a Space to Heal: Women Federal Prisoners in Canada and the Role of the Healthcare Professional]**

**Response to Reviewers (Dec. 4th)**

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|  | **Reviewer comment** | **Author’s response** |
| 1 | Line 3: Replace with “from”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 2 | Line 14: This em dash is not needed here. Replace with a space. | Em dash was kept to keep the emphasis of paper’s focus, but the grammar was adjusted |
| 3 | Line 15: Can remove this “and”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 4 | Line 28: Add “the” after this word. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 5 | Line 29: “push forward” Seems a little colloquial. Would “exacerbate” work better instead? | Suggested change was integrated |
| 6 | Line 42: Replace with “from”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 7 | Line 44: Replace with “demographics and challenges, as well as how…” – this is just a small matter of correctly separating parallel and non-parallel ideas. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 8 | Line 52: Capitalize “figure”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 9 | Line 58: At first, I wasn’t sure what the significance of this sentence was – it took a few reads to understand the author’s intent to contrast federally-incarcerated versus provincially-incarcerated women. I suggest adding “in lieu of provincially-incarcerated women” after this phrase. | Suggested change was integrated, and the sentence was clarified:“The choice to focus on federally-incarcerated women in lieu of provincially-incarcerated women was driven by the fact that the federal prison system presents a unique situation where, unlike provincial jails, prisoners are sentenced for a period greater than two years.” |
| 10 | Line 60: This sentence might require a citation. | I believe that the fact that federal prison is a sentence of 2+ years is common knowledge that does not necessarily require a specific citation |
| 11 | Line 61: Replace with “woman”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 12 | Line 63: I think this argument could be made more specific by replacing this phrase with “effect lasting changes”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 13 | Line 75: Replace with “in the near”. | Suggested change was integrated in previous edits |
| 14 | Line 76: Add a comma here. | Sentence was changed in previous edits. |
| 15 | Line 80: Replace “women in prison tend to have a similar health and social profile before being incarcerated” to “women in prison tend to have similar health and social profiles before incarceration” | Suggested change was integrated |
| 16 | Line 82: Replace with “50 and 80”. | Phrase was changed to “between 50% and 80%” |
| 17 | Line 88: Replace with “entering”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 18 | Line 98: Is this a true over-utilization, or is it just an “apparent” over-utilization because of the women prisoners’ poor health at the time of incarceration? It might be a good idea to insert the word “apparent” before this phrase if the latter is the case. | The word “apparent” was added to clarify the sentence |
| 19 | Line 99: I think “explained” or “partially explained” conveys a more precise meaning here. | “Accounted for” was replaced with “explained” to integrate the reviewer’s suggestion |
| 20 | Line 100: Can remove this word. | “by” was removed as per the suggestion |
| 21 | Line 101: This section of the sentence is fairly redundant (since the author says the same thing earlier in the sentence) and can be removed. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 22 | Line 125: Can remove this “who is” | Suggested change was integrated |
| 23 | Line 129: Insert “it is” here. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 24 | Line 130: It feels like there should be an “of” here, but I’m not 100% sure. | To avoid confusion “The Correctional Investigator Canada” was replaced with the more accurate “The Office of the Correctional Investigator.” As well, since another report recently came out, the sentence was changed to reflect that the report was in fact the 2015-2016 annual report, and not the “most recent report” |
| 25 | Line 142: This sentence is lengthy and has a somewhat unintuitive structure. I think it would be a good idea to split the sentence here: “…–either to use or to sell. Sometimes, they will simply want to go to the hospital…” | Suggested change was integrated |
| 26 | Line 161: Perhaps replacing this with “but also” will create a heavier impact? | Suggested change was integrated |
| 27 | Line 162: Sounds colloquial. Maybe replace with “last a maximum of”. | Suggested change was integrated |
| 28 | Line 176: NLM Abbreviation: Crime Law Soc Change | Suggested change was integrated |
| 29 | Line 182: Is this strictly a website? If it is, include “cited (date)” and “updated (date)”. If it is not, take off the URL. | This source is a website displaying a PDF source, so no, it’s not strictly a website. Hence, the URL was removed. |
| 30 | Line 184: Not sure what the abbreviation for this is. | This reference was removed in previous edits. |
| 31 | Lines 195-207: Format changes to journal names | Format corrections in Reference section were integrated |