

## **Response to Reviewer 1**

This abstract makes many statements that should be back using references. For example - what is the reported incidence of mold? Next, the causes of mold. Then what are the health care issues and that incidence rate. Finally, what is being done and what are the industry failures?

References have been added in the manuscript; the incidence of mold, causes of mold, healthcare issues, incidence, and what healthcare organizations and industry failures are doing are mentioned.

Where are the references? This paragraph should be dedicated to orientating the reader to mold in housing - why that is an issue, ect...

References included were dedicated to mold in housing, and new issues were mentioned.

This paragraph is very much out of place. Perhaps an orientation to the different types of mold found in housing should be the text.

Paragraph omitted.

If the preceding paragraph discussed the different types of mold, then the following paragraphs could discuss diagnostic processes for determining mold issues.

Diagnostics have been added.

Consequences of mold damage should also be broken into to topic sections: building damage; health risks (with sub-titles for particular types of health risks)

The consequences of mold damage are broken down in the topic sections.

This paragraph is out of place. The next paragraph should discuss industry standards... this particular paragraph should be "Recommendations to close industry gaps"

The expert is a key figure concerning industry gaps. Environmental medical societies have emphasized this.

This paragraph would lead nicely into the Recommendation to close industry gaps - Experts in the field

Recommendations have been included in the manuscript.

The paragraph is poorly written - a sentence should not start with "Suppose". However, once industry failures are discussed - then consequences of industry failures should be discussed.

The consequences of failure are discussed.

Over all the paper would need assistance in organization, additional referencing, a writing program to assist with verb tense, sentence structure and paragraph design.

All the suggestions have been included.

## **Response to Reviewer 2**

1. The authors should explain the role of court expert.

The court expert's role in disclosing interests and tasks has been included.

2. The authors need to discuss more about mould induced psychosocial stress.

Mold-induced psychosocial stress is mentioned.

The article includes recent developments and presentations by the German federal environmental agency demonstrating the massive health threat to families and children (Bennett 2024):