## Consolidated criteria for reporting qualitative studies (COREQ): 32-item checklist

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No. Item	Guide questions/description	Reported on Page #
Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity		
Personal Characteristics		
1. Inter viewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the interview or focus group?	N/A
2. Credentials	What were the researcher's credentials? E.g. PhD, MD	N/A As no interviews conducted
3. Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	N/A As no interviews conducted
4. Gender	Was the researcher male or female?	N/A As no interviews conducted
5. Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	N/A As no interviews conducted
Relationship with participants		
6. Relationship established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	N/A
7. Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher? e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research	N/A
8. Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the inter viewer/facilitator? e.g. Bias, assumptions, reasons and interests in the research topic	N/A
Domain 2: study design		
Theoretical framework		
9. Methodological orientation and Theory	What methodological orientation was stated to underpin the study? e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, ethnography, phenomenology, content analysis	Grounded theory, page 6
Participant selection		
10. Sampling	How were participants selected? e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball	Twitter posts and other platforms

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28. Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	N/A
Reporting		
29. Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes/findings? Was each quotation identified? e.g. participant number	Page 8-11
30. Data and findings consistent	Was there consistency between the data presented and the findings?	Page 8-11
31. Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?	Page 8-11
32. Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?	N/A