

### Supplemental File: COREQ 32-item checklist

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No. Item	Questions/Description	Reported Section and/or Additional Details (if applicable)
<b>Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity</b>		
Personal Characteristics		
1. Interviewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the interview or focus group?	See Methods
2. Credentials	What were the researcher's credentials? E.g., PhD, MD	Author 1: BSc, MBA, MD. Author 2: BKin, DC, MSc, PhD. Author 3: BSc, MSc. Author 4: Patient Lead. Author 5: MFA. Author 6: MD, MPA, FRCPC.
3. Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	See Methods
4. Gender	Was the researcher male or female?	Author 1: Male Author 2: Male Author 3: Male Author 4: Female Author 5: Male Author 6: Male
5. Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	See Methods
Relationship with participants		
6. Relationship established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	Some participants were in the same professional circles as the researchers.
7. Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher? e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research	See Methods

8. Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the interviewer/facilitator? e.g. Bias, assumptions, reasons and interests in the research topic	See Methods
<b>Domain 2: study design</b>		
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	See Methods
Participant selection		
10. Sampling	How were participants selected? e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball	See Methods
11. Method of approach	How were participants approached? e.g. face-to-face, telephone, mail, email	See Methods
12. Sample size	How many participants were in the study?	See Results
13. Non-participation	How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?	See Results
Setting		
14. Setting of data collection	Where was the data collected? e.g. home, clinic, workplace	See Methods
15. Presence of non-participants	Was anyone else present besides the participants and researchers?	See Methods/Results
16. Description of sample	What are the important characteristics of the sample? e.g. demographic data, date	See Results
Data collection		
17. Interview guide	Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors? Was it pilot tested?	See Methods.
18. Repeat interviews	Were repeat interviews carried out? If yes, how many?	N/A
19. Audio/visual recording	Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data?	See Methods
20. Field notes	Were field notes made during and/or after the interview or focus group?	See Methods
21. Duration	What was the duration of the interviews or focus group?	See Results
22. Data saturation	Was data saturation discussed?	See Methods/Results
23. Transcripts returned	Were transcripts returned to	See Methods

	participants for comment and/or correction?	
<b>Domain 3: analysis and findings</b>		
Data analysis		
24. Number of data coders	How many data coders coded the data?	See Methods
25. Description of the coding tree	Did authors provide a description of the coding tree?	N/A
26. Derivation of themes	Were themes identified in advance or derived from the data?	See Methods
27. Software	What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?	See Methods
28. Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	See Results
Reporting		
29. Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes/findings? Was each quotation identified? e.g. participant number	See Results
30. Data and findings consistent	Was there consistency between the data presented and the findings?	
31. Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?	
32. Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?	See Results/Discussion