

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

No	Item	Guide questions/description	Completed items for study by Cappelli LC et al. (add manuscript ID)
Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity			
Personal Characteristics			
1.	Interviewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the interview or focus group?	SG (1) AO (2)
2.	Credentials	What were the researcher's credentials? <i>E.g. PhD, MD</i>	PhD (1) MD, MHS (2)
3.	Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	Scientist (1) Physician scientist (2)
4.	Gender	Was the researcher male or female?	The researchers feel this is a personal question and choose not to respond
5.	Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	Qualitative researcher, PhD (1) Qualitative researcher, MHS, Qualitative Research credits (Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore; and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, US)
Relationship with participants			
6.	Relationship established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	None
7.	Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher? <i>e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research</i>	None
8.	Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the interviewer/facilitator? <i>e.g. Bias, assumptions, reasons and interests in the research topic</i>	Both interviewers were not experts in the topic and had no prior assumptions
Domain 2: Study design			
Theoretical framework			

9.	Methodological orientation and Theory	What methodological orientation was stated to underpin the study? <i>e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, ethnography, phenomenology, content analysis</i>	Inductive thematic analysis, Methods
Participant selection			
10.	Sampling	How were participants selected? <i>e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball</i>	Purposive
11.	Method of approach	How were participants approached? <i>e.g. face-to-face, telephone, mail, email</i>	Face-to-face and telephone
12.	Sample size	How many participants were in the study?	14
13.	Non-participation	How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?	19 potential participants were approached, 15 consented, 14 had interviews and 1 participant dropped out due to scheduling issues
Setting			
14.	Setting of data collection	Where was the data collected? <i>e.g. home, clinic, workplace</i>	Workplace
15.	Presence of non-participants	Was anyone else present besides the participants and researchers?	No
16.	Description of sample	What are the important characteristics of the sample? <i>e.g. demographic data, date</i>	Yes, Methods, Results
Data collection			
17.	Interview guide	Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors? Was it pilot tested?	Yes, Methods
18.	Repeat interviews	Were repeat interviews carried out? If yes, how many?	No
19.	Audio/visual recording	Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data?	Yes audio only, Methods
20.	Field notes	Were field notes made during and/or after the interview or focus group?	Yes
21.	Duration	What was the duration of the interviews or focus group?	30-45 minutes

22.	Data saturation	Was data saturation discussed?	Yes, Results
23.	Transcripts returned	Were transcripts returned to participants for comment and/or correction?	No
Domain 3: Analysis and findings			
Data analysis			
24.	Number of data coders	How many data coders coded the data?	Three (LC, SG, AO)
25.	Description of the coding tree	Did authors provide a description of the coding tree?	Yes, Results
26.	Derivation of themes	Were themes identified in advance or derived from the data?	Derived from the data
27.	Software	What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?	Atlas.ti
28.	Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	Yes
Reporting			
29.	Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes / findings? Was each quotation identified? e.g. <i>participant number</i>	Yes, quotes were only labeled with a study ID and gender to preserve confidentiality
30.	Data and findings consistent	Was there consistency between the data presented and tone is the completed coreq and any changes in the findings?	Yes
31.	Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?	Yes, Results
32.	Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?	Yes, Results