

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

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**YOU MUST PROVIDE A RESPONSE FOR ALL ITEMS. ENTER N/A IF NOT APPLICABLE**

No. Item	Guide questions/description	Reported on Page #
<b>Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity</b>		
<i>Personal Characteristics</i>		
1. Interviewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the interview or focus group?	FM
2. Credentials	What were the researcher's credentials? E.g. PhD, MD	PhD
3. Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	FM; Senior Research Fellow
4. Gender	Was the researcher male or female?	Female
5. Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	Ethnographer, trained dementia research, 9 years' experience
<i>Relationship with participants</i>		
6. Relationship established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	No
7. Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher? e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research	Personal goal, local rural resident, passionate about dementia care
8. Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the interviewer/facilitator? e.g. Bias, assumptions, reasons and interests in the research topic	Personal interest in dementia care, improving care, sharing best practice
<b>Domain 2: study design</b>		
<i>Theoretical framework</i>		
9. Methodological orientation and Theory	What methodological orientation was stated to underpin the study? e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, ethnography, phenomenology, content analysis	Social constructivism Ethnography, Cultural activity theory (CHAT)

		visual mapping techniques
<i>Participant selection</i>		
10. Sampling	How were participants selected? e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball	purposive, snowball
11. Method of approach	How were participants approached? e.g. face-to-face, telephone, mail, email	Media, information leaflets and reply slips, publicity
12. Sample size	How many participants were in the study?	At least 32 family dyads and 60 providers
13. Non-participation	How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?	Not available at present
<i>Setting</i>		
14. Setting of data collection	Where was the data collected? e.g. home, clinic, workplace	Family dyads; home, leisure Professional Providers; 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? e.g. demographic data, date	Rural dwellers, dementia, caregivers, providers of care
<i>Data collection</i>		
17. Interview guide	Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors? Was it pilot tested?	Family dyad questions co constructed with advisory group members. Pilot tested twice. Professional Provider; Semi-Structured interview schedule Pilot tested twice.
18. Repeat interviews	Were repeat inter views carried out? If yes, how many?	Family dyad; up to 3 times
19. Audio/visual recording	Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data?	Audio recorded
20. Field notes	Were field notes made during and/or after the inter view or focus group?	Yes if necessary when not possible to audio record.
21. Duration	What was the duration of the inter views or focus group?	45mins
22. Data saturation	Was data saturation discussed?	N/A
23. Transcripts returned	Were transcripts returned to participants for comment and/or correction?	No but content could be

		discussed for clarification
<b>Domain 3: analysis and findings</b>		
<i>Data analysis</i>		
24. Number of data coders	How many data coders coded the data?	Family dyad coding by FM Professionals coding by FM and AG
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?	Themes to be derived from data
27. Software	What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?	NVivo 11
28. Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	N/A at this stage.
<i>Reporting</i>		
29. Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes/findings? Was each quotation identified? e.g. participant number	N/A at this stage.
30. Data and findings consistent	Was there consistency between the data presented and the findings?	N/A at this stage.
31. Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?	N/A at this stage.
32. Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?	N/A at this stage.

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