

Checklist for reporting qualitative research

We are aware of many checklists for qualitative research and these are available on the Equator website: <http://www.equator-network.org/resource-centre/library-of-health-research-reporting/reporting-guidelines/qualitative-research/>

The checklists vary according to the research tradition and discipline, and their differing ontological approach. There is considerable debate around the use of checklists in qualitative research and currently there is no consensus that one checklist meets all reporting requirements.

There is always a balance between detail and an overly long paper. We believe that our paper meets the core requirements of robust reporting, however if peer reviewers request more detail we will readily provide it.

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