Supplementary file 1. COREC 32-Item Checklist

No. Item	Guide questions/description	Reported on Page #, line #
Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity		
1. Inter viewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the interview?	4, 125
2. Credentials	What were the researcher's credentials?	4, 128
3. Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	4, 125
4. Gender	Was the researcher male or female?	1, 5
5. Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	4, 125-126
6. Relationship with participants established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	4, 127
7. Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher?	4, 125-127
8. Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the inter viewer/facilitator?	4, 125-127
Domain 2: study design		
9. Methodological orientation and theory	What methodological orientation was stated to underpin the study?	4, 109-110
10. Sampling	How were participants selected?	7, 141
11. Method of approach	How were participants approached?	7, 147-148
12. Sample size	How many participants were in the study?	7, 143
13. Non-participation	How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?	7, 147-148
14. Setting of data collection	Where was the data collected?	4, 118
15. Presence of non-participants	Was anyone else present besides the participants and researchers?	4, 128-129
16. Description of sample	What are the important characteristics of the sample?	9, 189-192
17. Interview guide	Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors?	6
18. Repeat interviews	Were repeat interviews carried out?	No
19. Audio/visual recording	Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data?	4, 128
20. Field notes	Were field notes made during and/or after the interview?	2, 40
21. Duration	What was the duration of the interviews	4, 127
22. Data saturation	Was data saturation discussed?	7, 170-171 & Table 2
23. Transcripts returned	Were transcripts returned to participants correction?	No
Domain 3: analysis and findings		
24. Number of data coders	How many data coders coded the data?	7-8, 167-182
25. Description of the coding tree	Did authors provide a description of the coding tree?	7-8, 167-182
26. Derivation of themes	Were themes identified in advance or derived from the data?	7, 169-182
27. Software	What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?	n/a
28. Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	No
29. Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes/findings? Was each quotation identified?	10, Table 3
30. Data and findings consistency	Was there consistency between the data presented and the findings?	9, 204-205 & Table 3
31. Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?	Page 9-13 & Table 3
32. Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?	Page 9-13 & Table 3