

“The impact of Canada’s fragmented healthcare model on pertussis vaccination in pregnancy: A qualitative study of perinatal healthcare providers”

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

No. Item	Guide questions/description	Reported in
Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity		
<i>Personal Characteristics</i>		
1. Inter viewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the inter view or focus group?	Methods, Page 3
2. Credentials	What were the researcher’s credentials? E.g. PhD, MD	Methods, Page 3 + Information to the journal provided in the Title Page
3. Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	Methods, Page 3
4. Gender/Sex	Was the researcher(s) gender identity reported? <i>We rephrased this from original COREQ to move away from “male” or “female” dichotomy.</i>	Methods, Page 3
5. Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	Methods, Page 3
<i>Relationship with participants</i>		
6. Relationship established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	Methods, Page 2-3 This is not specifically stated but we describe how participants were recruited.
7. Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher? e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research	Methods, Page 2-3 This is not specifically stated but we describe how participants were recruited.
8. Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the inter viewer/facilitator? e.g. Bias, assumptions, reasons and interests in the research topic	Funding statement: researchers/interviewers are part of the Canadian Immunization Research Network

Domain 2: study design		
<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	Methods, Page 4
<i>Participant selection</i>		
10. Sampling	How were participants selected? e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball	Methods, Page 2
11. Method of approach	How were participants approached? e.g. face-to-face, telephone, mail, email	Methods, Page 2
12. Sample size	How many participants were in the study?	Results, Page 4
13. Non-participation	How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?	Methods, Page 4
<i>Setting</i>		
14. Setting of data collection	Where was the data collected? e.g. home, clinic, workplace	Methods, Page 3
15. Presence of non-participants	Was anyone else present besides the participants and researchers?	Not reported, inferred in the methods
16. Description of sample	What are the important characteristics of the sample? e.g. demographic data, date	Table 1
<i>Data collection</i>		
17. Interview guide	Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors? Was it pilot tested?	Methods, Page 3
18. Repeat interviews	Were repeat inter views carried out? If yes, how many?	Not reported, inferred in the methods
19. Audio/visual recording	Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data?	Methods, Page 3
20. Field notes	Were field notes made during and/or after the inter view or focus group?	Not reported
21. Duration	What was the duration of the inter views or focus group?	Methods, Page 3
22. Data saturation	Was data saturation discussed? <i>We aimed for data sufficiency and recruitment was</i>	Methods, Page 2-3

	<i>stopped when were no longer identifying new themes in the interviews, and were no longer adding meaningful diversity to the study population</i>	
23. Transcripts returned	Were transcripts returned to participants for comment and/or correction?	Methods, Page 3
Domain 3: analysis and findings		
<i>Data analysis</i>		
24. Number of data coders	How many data coders coded the data?	Methods Page 4
25. Description of the coding tree	Did authors provide a description of the coding tree?	Methods, Page 4 – no, but we provided rationale for how the coding was done
26. Derivation of themes	Were themes identified in advance or derived from the data?	Methods, Page 4
27. Software	What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?	Methods, Page 4
28. Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	Methods, Page 4
<i>Reporting</i>		
29. Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes/findings? Was each quotation identified? e.g. participant number	Results Box 1-4
30. Data and findings consistent	Was there consistency between the data and the findings presented?	Results Page 4-7
31. Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?	Results Page 4-7, Boxes 1-4
32. Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?	Results, Page 4-7