

CRITICAL REVIEW FORM: QUALITATIVE METHODS

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| Guide | | Comments |
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| I | Are the results valid? | |
| 1 | <p>What is the research question? Is my question about social, rather than biomedical, phenomena? Do I seek theoretical or conceptual understanding of the problem?</p> | |
| 2 | <p>Was the choice of participants or observations explicit and comprehensive? Was ethics approval obtained?</p> | |
| 3 | <p>Appropriateness of the design to the question.</p> <p>Is there consistency between the theoretical position, method, research question, data collection, analysis and results? (Mayan Ch 1.)</p> <p>Would a different method have been more appropriate?</p> | |

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| 4 | <p>Were the data collection methods appropriate for the research objectives and setting? Was the sampling and data collection comprehensive enough to support rich and robust description of the observed events?</p> <p>Did the sample include the full range of possible cases or settings so that conceptual rather than statistical generalizations could be made? (that is, more than convenience sampling)</p> <p>If appropriate, were efforts made to obtain data that might contradict or modify the analysis by extending the sample (for example, to a different type of area)?</p> | |
| II What were the results? | | |
| 1 | <p>What are the results?</p> <p>Was the context / setting adequately described?</p> <p>Do the interpretations, themes or concepts flow logically from the analysis?</p> | |

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| III | How can I apply the results to my patient care? | |
| 1a | Does the study offer helpful theoretical conclusions? | |
| 1b | Does the study help me understand the context of my practice? | |
| 2 | Does the study help me to understand my relationships with patients and their families? | |