

**Tailoring work participation support for cancer survivors using the Stages of Change: perspectives of (health care) professionals and survivors**

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| No Item                                        | Guide questions/description                            | Paragraph                            |
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| <b>Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity</b> |                                                        |                                      |
| <i>Personal Characteristics</i>                |                                                        |                                      |
| 1. Interviewer/facilitator                     | Which author/s conducted the interview or focus group? | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2 |
| 2. Credentials                                 | What were the researcher's credentials? E.g. PhD, MD   | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2 |
| 3. Occupation                                  | What was their occupation at the time of the study?    | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2 |
| 4. Gender                                      | Was the researcher male or female?                     | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2 |

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| 5. Experience and training                  | What experience or training did the researcher have?                                                                                                     | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2        |
| <i>Relationship with participants</i>       |                                                                                                                                                          |                                             |
| 6. Relationship established                 | Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?                                                                                              | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §1 and §2 |
| 7. Participant knowledge of the interviewer | What did the participants know about the researcher? e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research                                                 | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §2        |
| 8. Interviewer characteristics              | What characteristics were reported about the interviewer/facilitator? e.g. Bias, assumptions, reasons and interests in the research topic                | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §2        |
| <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 | Heading 'Analysis', §1 and §2               |
| <i>Participant selection</i>                |                                                                                                                                                          |                                             |
| 10. Sampling                                | How were participants selected? e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball                                                                       | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §1 and §2 |

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| 11. Method of approach           | How were participants approached? e.g. face-to-face, telephone, mail, email       | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §1 and §2                |
| 12. Sample size                  | How many participants were in the study?                                          | Heading 'Results – Demographics', §1 and §2                |
| 13. Non-participation            | How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?                   | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §2                       |
| <i>Setting</i>                   |                                                                                   |                                                            |
| 14. Setting of data collection   | Where was the data collected? e.g. home, clinic, workplace                        | Heading 'Sample and recruitment', §1 and §2                |
| 15. Presence of non-participants | Was anyone else present besides the participants and researchers?                 | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2                       |
| 16. Description of sample        | What are the important characteristics of the sample? e.g. demographic data, date | Heading 'Results – Demographics', §1 and §2                |
| <i>Data collection</i>           |                                                                                   |                                                            |
| 17. Interview guide              | Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors? Was it pilot tested?     | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2, Supplementary file 1 |
| 18. Repeat interviews            | Were repeat interviews carried out? If yes, how many?                             | Heading 'Data collection', §2                              |

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| 19. Audio/visual recording             | Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data?      | Heading 'Data collection', §1                          |
| 20. Field notes                        | Were field notes made during and/or after the interview or focus group?  | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2                   |
| 21. Duration                           | What was the duration of the interviews or focus group?                  | Heading 'Data collection', §1 and §2                   |
| 22. Data saturation                    | Was data saturation discussed?                                           | Heading 'Analysis', §1 and §2                          |
| 23. Transcripts returned               | Were transcripts returned to participants for comment and/or correction? | Heading 'Data collection', §2                          |
| <b>Domain 3: analysis and findings</b> |                                                                          |                                                        |
| <i>Data analysis</i>                   |                                                                          |                                                        |
| 24. Number of data coders              | How many data coders coded the data?                                     | Heading 'Analysis', §3                                 |
| 25. Description of the coding tree     | Did authors provide a description of the coding tree?                    | Heading 'Data collection', §3 and Supplementary file 3 |
| 26. Derivation of themes               | Were themes identified in advance or derived from the data?              | Heading 'Analysis', §2                                 |
| 27. Software                           | What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?               | Heading 'Analysis', §2 and §3                          |

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| 28. Participant checking         | Did participants provide feedback on the findings?                                                                                | Heading 'Analysis', §3             |
| <i>Reporting</i>                 |                                                                                                                                   |                                    |
| 29. Quotations presented         | Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes / findings? Was each quotation identified? e.g. participant number | Heading 'Analysis', §3             |
| 30. Data and findings consistent | Was there consistency between the data presented and the findings?                                                                | Supplementary file 3 (coding tree) |
| 31. Clarity of major themes      | Were major themes clearly presented in the findings?                                                                              | Heading 'Results'                  |
| 32. Clarity of minor themes      | Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes?                                                            | Heading 'Results'                  |