

Critical Review Form - Qualitative Studies

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STUDY PURPOSE: Was the purpose stated clearly? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Outline the purpose of the study.
LITERATURE: Was relevant background literature reviewed? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No What area(s) of occupational therapy were studied? <input type="radio"/> self-care <input type="radio"/> productivity <input type="radio"/> leisure <input type="radio"/> performance components <input type="radio"/> environmental components <input type="radio"/> occupation	Describe the justification of the need for this study. How does the study apply to OT and/or to your research question?
STUDY DESIGN: What was the design: <input type="radio"/> ethnography <input type="radio"/> grounded theory <input type="radio"/> participatory action research <input type="radio"/> phenomenology <input type="radio"/> other _____	What was the study design? Was the design appropriate for the study question? (e.g., for knowledge level about the issue, ethical issues)

<p>DATA ANALYSIS:</p> <p>Analytical Preciseness Data analysis was inductive <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not addressed</p> <p>Findings were consistent with & reflective of data <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Auditability Decision trail developed & rules reported <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not addressed</p> <p>Process of transforming data into themes/codes was described adequately <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not addressed</p> <p>Theoretical Connections Did a meaningful picture of the phenomenon under study emerge? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>Describe method(s) of data analysis. Were the methods appropriate? What alternative explanations were explored?</p> <p>Describe the decisions of the researcher re: transformation of data to themes/codes. Outline the rationale given for development of themes.</p> <p>How were concepts under study clarified & refined, and relationships made clear? Describe any conceptual frameworks that emerged.</p>
<p>TRUSTWORTHINESS</p> <p>Triangulation was reported for Sources/data <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Methods <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Researchers <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Theories <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Member checking was used to verify findings <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not addressed</p>	<p>Describe the strategies used to ensure trustworthiness of the findings.</p>
<p>CONCLUSIONS & IMPLICATIONS</p> <p>Conclusions were appropriate given the study findings <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>The findings contributed to theory development & future OT practice/ research <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>What did the study conclude? What were the implications of the findings for occupational therapy (practice & research)? What were the main limitations in the study?</p>