



# Documenting the Physical and Psychological Consequences of COVID-19

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## 1. Round 1

### 1.1 Reviewer 1

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Reviewer:

The abstract should be more concise and clearly state the key findings. For instance, specify the exact psychological consequences and physical symptoms identified. Consider summarizing the primary results in a single sentence for each major finding."

"The paragraph detailing the sampling method (page 2) states 'accessible and purposive sampling.' Elaborate on why these specific individuals were chosen and how their experiences provide a comprehensive view of COVID-19's consequences."

"In 'Measures,' the ethical considerations could be expanded. Provide more details about how participants' confidentiality was maintained during and after the study, especially given the sensitive nature of health data."

"On page 2, 'Data saturation determined the sample size in this research.' Include specific indicators or criteria used to determine that saturation was achieved."

"The 'Data Analysis' section should describe the coding process in more detail. Specify how open, axial, and selective coding were implemented and provide examples of codes and categories derived."

Authors revised the manuscript and uploaded the updated document.

## 1.2 Reviewer 2

Date: 04 May 2024

Reviewer:

"The introduction paragraph starting with 'The coronavirus (COVID-19) is a serious public health threat...' (page 1) lacks specificity about the study's focus. It would benefit from a more detailed explanation of why documenting the physical and psychological consequences is particularly relevant now."

"In the introduction, the literature review should include more recent studies related to COVID-19's psychological impacts. The current references, such as 'Li et al. (2020)' and 'Farnoosh et al. (2022),' provide a good foundation but should be expanded to include more recent 2023 publications."

"The section 'Study Design and Participants' should provide a rationale for selecting 11 individuals as the sample size. Explain why this number was deemed sufficient and how it aligns with grounded theory methodology standards."

"Some participant quotes (e.g., from Participant No. 2) are long and complex. Summarize key points or use more targeted quotes to improve readability and clarity."

"In 'Findings and Results,' the interpretation of participant responses (e.g., Table 1) should be connected more explicitly to existing literature to highlight how this study advances current knowledge."

"The results section would benefit from a thematic analysis summary that integrates the open, axial, and selective codes into broader themes, providing a clear framework for understanding the data."

"The 'Discussion and Conclusion' should tie the findings more closely to practical implications. For example, how can healthcare providers use this information to improve patient care?"

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## 2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.