

Title: Newspaper Portrayal of Family Veto in Organ Donation in Canada

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

No	Item	Guide questions/description	
Domain 1: Research team and reflexivity			
Personal Characteristics			
1.	Interviewer/facilitator	Which author/s conducted the interview or focus group?	The first author (SA) conducted the media analysis. A second coder helped with the analysis. No interviews or focus groups.
2.	Credentials	What were the researcher's credentials? <i>E.g. PhD, MD</i>	PhD MSW
3.	Occupation	What was their occupation at the time of the study?	Postdoctoral Trainee / Social Work Clinician

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4.	Gender	Was the researcher male or female?	Female
5.	Experience and training	What experience or training did the researcher have?	PhD, MSW Qualitative methods training
Relationship with participants			
6.	Relationship established	Was a relationship established prior to study commencement?	N/A
7.	Participant knowledge of the interviewer	What did the participants know about the researcher? <i>e.g. personal goals, reasons for doing the research</i>	N/A
8.	Interviewer characteristics	What characteristics were reported about the interviewer/facilitator? <i>e.g. Bias, assumptions,</i>	N/A

No	Item	Guide questions/description
		<i>reasons and interests in the research topic</i>
Domain 2: study design		
	Theoretical framework	
9.	Methodological orientation and Theory	<p>What methodological orientation was stated to underpin the study? <i>e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, ethnography, phenomenology, content analysis</i></p> <p>Yes. Framing theory.</p>
	Participant selection	
10.	Sampling	<p>How were participants selected? <i>e.g. purposive, convenience, consecutive, snowball</i></p> <p>Database review guided by search strategy.</p>

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11.	Method of approach	How were participants approached? <i>e.g. face-to-face, telephone, mail, email</i>	N/A
12.	Sample size	How many participants were in the study?	Final data set of 123 articles
13.	Non-participation	How many people refused to participate or dropped out? Reasons?	N/A
Setting			
14.	Setting of data collection	Where was the data collected? <i>e.g. home, clinic, workplace</i>	Newspaper articles
15.	Presence of non-participants	Was anyone else present besides the participants and researchers?	N/A
16.	Description of sample	What are the important characteristics of the sample? <i>e.g.</i>	N/A

No	Item	Guide questions/description
<i>demographic data, date</i>		
Data collection		
17.	Interview guide	Were questions, prompts, guides provided by the authors? Was it pilot tested? N/A
18.	Repeat interviews	Were repeat interviews carried out? If yes, how many? N/A
19.	Audio/visual recording	Did the research use audio or visual recording to collect the data? N/A
20.	Field notes	Were field notes made during and/or after the interview or focus group? N/A
21.	Duration	What was the duration of the interviews or N/A

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		focus group?	
22.	Data saturation	Was data saturation discussed?	N/A
23.	Transcripts returned	Were transcripts returned to participants for comment and/or correction?	N/A
Domain 3: analysis and findingsz			
Data analysis			
24.	Number of data coders	How many data coders coded the data?	Two
25.	Description of the coding tree	Did authors provide a description of the coding tree?	Yes
26.	Derivation of themes	Were themes identified in advance or derived	An initial in-depth analysis of the data set identified

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		from the data?	coding categories. All analytic categories were defined in a structured coding framework.
27.	Software	What software, if applicable, was used to manage the data?	N/A
28.	Participant checking	Did participants provide feedback on the findings?	N/A
Reporting			
29.	Quotations presented	Were participant quotations presented to illustrate the themes / findings? Was each quotation identified? <i>e.g. participant number</i>	Yes. Quotes from articles were presented to support the themes/findings and referenced appropriately.
30.	Data and findings consistent	Was there consistency between the data presented and the findings?	Yes.

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31.	Clarity of major themes	Were major themes clearly presented in the findings? Yes
32.	Clarity of minor themes	Is there a description of diverse cases or discussion of minor themes? Yes