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- Overall Comments

(1) This well-written manuscript describes an exploratory qualitative study conducted in Switzerland. The authors used both key informant interviews and focus groups with a variety of stakeholders to explore enablers, barriers, and incentives to the broader implementation of chronic disease management in the country. The results are clearly described and the extracts highlighted illustrate the points made in the manuscript. Some minor suggestions for improving the manuscript are noted below.

- Minor Essential Revisions

(2) The manuscript is generally well written and easy to follow. Some copy edits would be helpful prior to publication. For instance, capitalization is often inconsistent (see the list on page 5 as an example) and some language constructions are awkward or incorrect (e.g. “made us” on page 6, “mean” should be “means” at the bottom of page 10, “participating to CDM program” on page 15).

(3) The timing of the interviews and focus groups (year, month) is not clear in the manuscript.

- Discretionary Revisions

(4) The discussion section mentions that participants in interviews and focus groups were provided with information about chronic disease management. It would be helpful if this context could be briefly described in the methods for clarity about the context in which participants were commenting on facilitators, enablers, and barriers.
Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests: 'I declare that I have no competing interests'