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1. As requested, emails have been provided for all authors.
2. Keywords have been added to the title page
3. RATS guidelines have been reviewed and detail on the study is included to meet these guidelines. For example:
   Lines 145-155 provides detail on the recruitment and sampling process
   Lines 170-186 provides detail on data collection
   Lines 172-177 Example questions
   Lines 184-87 Informed consent process and anonymity and confidentiality
   Lines 189-202 Describe the analytical process; the deep description of themes demonstrates the quality of this analytical process
   Quotes are used throughout the Results to demonstrate the quality analysis and that interpretation is grounded in these data.
   The team process for collection and analysis of data promoted trustworthiness of the analysis.
   The Discussion locates this work within the current body of research and strengths and limitations of the work are presented Lines 636-650.
4. Ethics committees have been named in the Methods (highlighted).
5. All authors reviewed the final submission of the paper and this is now noted in the contributions section.
6. Abbreviations have been added after the acknowledgements.
7. Funding has been provided in the acknowledgement (highlighted).