Author’s response to reviews

Title: "I struggle to count my blessings ". Recovery after hip fracture from the patients’ perspective.

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for your valuable comments helping us to improve our manuscript, BGTC-D-17-00419: “I struggle to count my blessings”. Recovery after hip fracture from the patients’ perspective

The answers to your requests are listed below and changes in the text are marked with bold:

Reviewer 1

1. A brief overview of the four method steps required for the data analysis inspired by Giorgi, as modified by Malterud is included in the text page 8, line 8-25. Additionally, changes are made in Table 2.

2. We have included a recent reference from a study by Healee, et al (2017) into the section of discussion, reference 45, page 18, line 7.

3. We have replaced the paragraphs containing our professional background and academic affiliations and inserted them into page 7, line 23-25

4. We have corrected the spelling error, from en to an, page 11, line 8
Reviewer 2

1. Background: We have corrected the spelling error from has to have, page 3, line 9

2. The sentence has been rewritten, page 4, line 20-21. The text on page 4, line 14 -21 is also tightened.

3. Methods: We have clarified that all patients were strategically included from the ongoing RCT. All eight patients who were invited to be interviewed accepted to participate, page 6, line 12-17

4. The subjects were interviewed only once. Page 6, line 18

5. The tenses are corrected, page 6.

6. The spelling of trochanteric is corrected, page 6, line 4

7. Data collection: The interviewers were not involved in the care of the participants


9. Data analysis: Voice taped is replaced by audio recorded, page 8, line 2 and also page 6, line 22-23

10. Ambition is replaced by aim, page 8, line 18

11. Two of the authors also performed the interviews, page 9, line 2

12. We have exemplified our preconceptions, page 9, line 9-11.

13. Results: Talk is replaced by interviews, page 9, line 18

14. The quote that did not make sense is replaced, page 12, line 14-15.

15. Despite of that is changed to despite their age, page 15, line 11.

16. We have included two more references, McMillan et al 2012, reference 9, page 3, line 19 and Mc Millan et al 2014, reference 44, page 18, line 7

17. The unclear sentence is replaced, page 19, line 1

18. The interviewers is replaced by the interviewees, page 19, line 9

19. The spelling is corrected, page 20, line 14

20. We have included a list of abbreviations, page 21, line 4-7
21. Additionally, we have made some corrections and improvements throughout the manuscript, all marked in bold.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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