Reviewer’s report

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

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Reviewer: David Healee

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this manuscript. Hip fracture recovery is ongoing concern worldwide and how that recovery happens is vitally important. This article discusses the patient perspective in the recovery process and presents an experience viewpoint.

The qualitative design used and presented is appropriate for this study. I suggest that you provide a brief overview of the method steps required to data analysis as per Giorgi and Malterud. Either as a separate paragraph or integrated in the following two paragraphs.

I agree there are limited studies presenting the patient's role in hip fracture recovery and you have noted this but have not included a recent study by Healee, et al. (2017) in the International Journal of Orthopaedic and Trauma Nursing (UK) as this article appears to align very closely with your findings.

Minor points to consider:

1. Clarify the relevance of the very short 'paragraphs' on pages 7 & 8 (Line 51 -5) and how these link to each other

2. Page 11, (line 33) spelling error - 'en' should be an

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