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Thank you for the opportunity to review the re-submission of this manuscript. I thank the authors for efforts in improving the paper. However, the paper still requires major revisions before it is acceptable for publication, in my opinion. I want to refer the authors to comments made on the original manuscript where all 3 reviewers expressed concerns about the manuscript's unnecessary wordiness. While I understand that the authors may feel the importance of including all the details they have gathered for clarity, summarizing such details would greatly improve the readability of this paper. As an example, although the background section was reworked to include the information requested on the LiTTLe program, and the first paragraph excellently re-written and summarized, the rest of the section is mostly a repetition of the original manuscript. I urge the authors to consider following the suggested outline and to focus the information on that which enriches their stated objectives.

Secondly, consider presenting results by following the objectives. As mentioned by other reviewers, the results section is hard to follow because it takes a very long shot at the interviews and fails to focus on information that largely answers their objectives. Of course, as stated earlier, it is important as currently presented, to describe the participants in the opening one or two paragraphs of the results.

In summary, although this is a qualitative paper, the key for me remains to focus the paper by striving to respond to questions raised by the objectives.

Thank you.

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