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This is the third revision of this manuscript and the authors have made a very good job revising it. I have a few comments, please see below.

Methods
Page 6, line 41: please note that only one exclusion criterion is mentioned.
Page 8, top: how were the 2 parents and 4 children related to each other? And were they included in the sample later on? Please be clear about these matters in the text.

Results
Page 9, line 13: the subtitle is not the same as in Figure 2. Please be consistent.

The children's citations are from 6 (six) children and 3 (three) children are cited twice. The parents' citations represents more individuals even if also here some obviously were more wellformulated than others. It would have been better if more children had been represented with quotations, but perhaps it is not possible? Also, according to Figure 1, only 16 children were interviewed however, both C17 and C19 are quoted in the text. How come?
Discussion

The discussion about the reasonably diverse socio-demographic background of the informants is acknowledged. However, something should be added about the difficulties to recruit people who are not interested/not engaged in the topic/ feeling ashamed of having not done their best (here brushing the teeth of their children). Typically, a form of "drop-out discussion".

Page 18, top: I would add to the first sentence: "however the findings may possibly be useful in similar contexts".

Page 17, top, lines 12-14 and line 32: please add references.

Conclusion

Please make sure that the conclusion in the main text is the same as the conclusion in the abstract.

Are the methods appropriate and well described?
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