Reviewer's report

Title: Evaluating the systematic implementation of the 'Let Me Decide' advance care planning programme in long term care through focus groups: A user's perspective.

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Reviewer: Lorraine Venturato

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1. Thank you for the opportunity to review this manuscript, which addresses an important topic in contemporary long term care.

2. The manuscript is well written and has a logical structure and flow that makes it a pleasure to read. Some very minor grammatical issues (e.g. page 23, line 489 - commas needed after However and uncertainty to assist with readability). A quick proof-read will suffice.

3. The manuscript is well put together and I have no compulsory or essential revision to suggest.

4. Discretionary revisions:
   a) The authors may want to consider consolidating or cutting down some of the double-up in quotes. While the use of textual data is important to convey the richness of the data and to support your findings, there are occasions where multiple quotations are provided to support a finding. Some of these do not necessarily add to the understanding but rather repeat in other words the same essential point as the original quotation.

   b) I found the use of the wordle interesting. Is there anything to support its use as a research data tool? data summary? I think it is integrated into the paper well and should be included here, but I would be interested to know if this was an exercise of interest or if there is any research support for its inclusion?

Congratulations on a well written and comprehensive manuscript. This study and its findings will contribute to knowledge and practice development in this very important area.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.