Reviewer’s report

Title: Fostering patient-centredness by following patients outside the clinical setting: an interview study

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Reviewer's report:

Thank you for submitting your article. This is a very interesting and important study about medical education on patient-centeredness. The study design and methodology is fairly acceptable, and the results are worth spreading in the academic area.

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1) Please explain more about reflexivity. Why did you choose the research student as an interviewer? What about the relationship between the interviewer and participants?

2) In the Discussion, it is written as "This study described that building relationships encouraged the development of empathy and a deeper understanding of lived experiences.(14)" Please explain the definition of "empathy" here, and explain how the current study's results is related with empathy.

3) In Figure 1, "out of hospital setting and non clinical role" is labeled as "intervention". However, "out-of-hospital setting" seems "context" in this study. Please explain why the authors labeled it as intervention, not context.

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