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1. Please format Abstract according to our guidelines.

As far as I can see the format of the Abstract is according your guidelines (max. 350 words, divided in Background, Methods, Results, Conclusions) I only changed the word Results in the heading because of the qualitative character of the article: we did not have ‘hard’ results, but findings. If compulsory, I can change this heading.

2. Please include the names of the ethics committees who approved the study.

In our manuscript we mentioned “Permission for the recruitment procedures was obtained from the relevant Research Ethics Committee of both hospitals”. In the coverletter (answer to reviewers and editor) we mentioned also the names of the members of the Institutional Review Board. In addition I can mention the numbers of approval:
- from the Institional Review Board of the Radboud university medical center: ABR nr NL.21205.091.07 (10 June 2008)
Is any additional information necessary?

3. Was written, informed consent given for the interviews?

In the coverletter we mentioned “Participants gave written consent; we have added a sentence in the recruitment procedure paragraph” Written consent is mentioned in the manuscript (line 117).

4. Please include details of any funding in the Acknowledgements section.

For this study we did not receieve any financial support. We added this sentence to the Acknowledgements section

5. Please list the figure legends after the References.

We modified the main manuscript in that way.

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