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No formal written consent was obtained from the participants. Instead, an introductory letter from the Department of Nursing, KNUST, detailing the essence of the study was presented and shown to the participants before their inclusion in the study. The introductory letter was necessary as it did not only reveal the identity of the researchers to the participants, but also sought their permission and indulgence in the study.