Reviewer’s report

Title: Facilitating Non-tokenistic User involvement in Research. An Ethnographic Analysis from a Rehabilitation Research Project.

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Reviewer: Lesley Griffiths

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I enjoyed the article and recognize many of the challenges identified in the article and some of the solutions. I wonder if funding in Norway is rather more available to support patient involvement than it is in the UK. Here there is no doubt that the constraints for academics to publish and complete research on time and in budget often compromise finding and operationalizing full and practicable patient involvement. I agree that the determination to respect contributions from all participants is a vital first step but the actual reality of career constraints on researchers will often compromise opportunities and it is worthwhile exploring some of these inequalities which operate in shared workspaces with patients.

I think there are a few opportunities for correcting the language but applaud the efforts to translate.

I look forward to seeing the finished article.

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