Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Group based Video-conferencing for Adults with Depression: Findings from a user-led qualitative data analysis using Participatory Theme Elicitation

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An interesting, well written and informative article which explores the use of virtual digital media for users with mental health issues to take part in group meetings on-line and explores the logistical and operational problems encountered and identified by the participants and researchers.

Helpful addenda including photographic and written evidence of participant training in thematic identification and grouping.

Participant empowerment would seem possible but realistic reflections by all concerned record and recognise practical problems and barriers to retention, for instance.

The employment of the PTE analysis method appears effective and apposite, but further research needed for data robustness due to low participant numbers (n=8).

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