Reviewer’s report

Title: Patient and Public Involvement in doctoral research: Reflections and experiences of the PPI contributors and researcher

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Reviewer: Irene Soulsby

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I am writing comments as a PPI and my understanding of the Article, which I really enjoyed reading.

I am aware of the importance of including BAME in research and in my opinion, the Article covered everything thoroughly, from the beginning to the end of the project.

I was very pleased to read about the PPI involvement throughout and that training and support was given, also payment for participating. I especially enjoyed reading the PPI contributors' reflections, I thought it was an excellent idea to include these. PPI was used in a wide range of tasks including mock interviews, etc, working in close partnerships with all those involved. I liked the idea of putting a poster in a supermarket to engage with, and also to help with access to local community groups. Life experiences and diverse perspectives were taken into account. I was also very pleased to read that a dissemination event was organised.

The tables contained good advice for others wishing to use PPI and getting the most out of it and the recommendations I thought were very useful, I particularly liked these.

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