Reviewer’s report

Title: Public involvement in health research: what does ‘good’ look like in practice?

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This is a good study and complements the new United Kingdom Standards of Public Involvement.

Evaluation was also problematic with these United Kingdom Standards. Were the authors able to identify from their study, a more helpful way of both conceptualising as well as articulating this value.

Another common problem identified in this study is the sense of loss and even bereavement, when a public member completes their term or the task and therefore the group come to an end. What advice can the authors give on this, based on their study.

The issue of sustained and adequate funding is a challenging problem, even when the researchers have tried to include a request for adequate and appropriate funding in the research project or task resource bid. Again, beyond "asking for and ensuring enough money before starting", were the authors able to come up with any additional advice on this.

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