



5th INTERNATIONAL QUALITATIVE RESEARCH CONVENTION

7th – 9th December 2009

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QUALITY IN QUALITATIVE RESEARCH: STANDARDS AND BEST PRACTICES

WORKSHOP 2: ASSESSING RIGOUR IN QUALITATIVE RESEARCH 7th December 2009

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Target Participants

Qualitative Researchers seeking to conduct and publish qualitative research in and outside the social sciences

The purpose of this workshop is to assist participants in identifying key generalisable characteristics of rigour in qualitative research across the social sciences, health and medical research domains. The benefits of understanding the myriad of ways in which rigour in qualitative research is understood and represented in multiple disciplinary contexts are that it enables the researcher to firstly; be able to conduct effective and rigorous qualitative research in any disciplinary context; and secondly, provide the best possibility to present and publish high quality qualitative research in international peer-reviewed journals.

Objectives

- 1) Develop greater understanding of the complex nature of rigour in qualitative research
- 2) Practice applying concepts of rigour in the assessment of rigour in qualitative research articles.

Sessions

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| 9am -10.30am | The nature and politics of rigour |
| 11am -1pm | Assessing rigour (Group activity in assessing qualitative articles) |
| 2pm-3.30pm | The role and application of check-lists in judging rigour (guided group activity in assessing qualitative articles) |
| 4pm - 5.30pm | Identifying rigour requirements when attempting to publish qualitative research |