

Public and Patient Involvement with a Descriptive Qualitative Study to Explore Household Medication Safety in People who were Cocooning during Covid-19.

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Conflicts of Interest

- None to declare.

Patient and Public Involvement in Research

- Societal benefit
- Involvement as co-researchers, limited and expertise developing

Aim

- To develop and apply a method to involve family carers as research partners, including as data analysts, in a descriptive qualitative study using interview data.

Background project overview

- Household medication safety during a pandemic.
- Medication use is the most common healthcare intervention.
- During the COVID-19 pandemic, people who are staying at home and reducing contact with other people for long periods of time are at potentially increased risk of medication-related problems.
 - Disrupted routine healthcare service and medication supply chains
 - Altered household mobility, wellbeing and support structures
 - Reluctance to attend healthcare settings
 - Misinformation about medications
- Patient and public involvement representatives identified this as an important research area.

Study protocol and planning

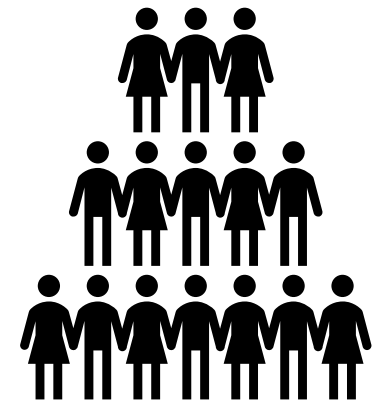
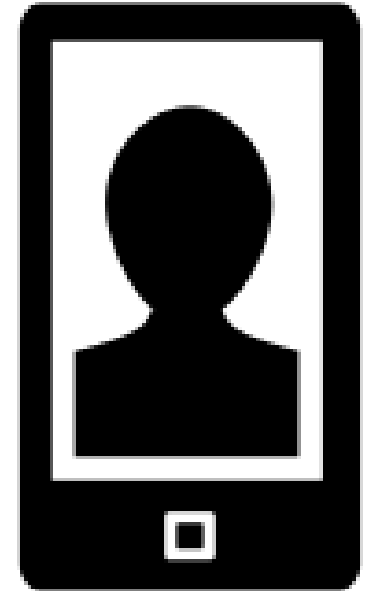
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Protocol

BMJ Open Household medication safety practices during the COVID-19 pandemic: a descriptive qualitative study protocol

Tamasine C Grimes ¹, Sara Garfield,^{2,3} Dervla Kelly ⁴, Joan Cahill,⁵
Sam Cromie,⁵ Carly Wheeler,³ Bryony Dean Franklin^{2,3}

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50 interviews

Collaboration and learning about PPI

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Research Paper

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Medicines management at home during the COVID-19 pandemic: a qualitative study exploring the UK patient/carer perspective

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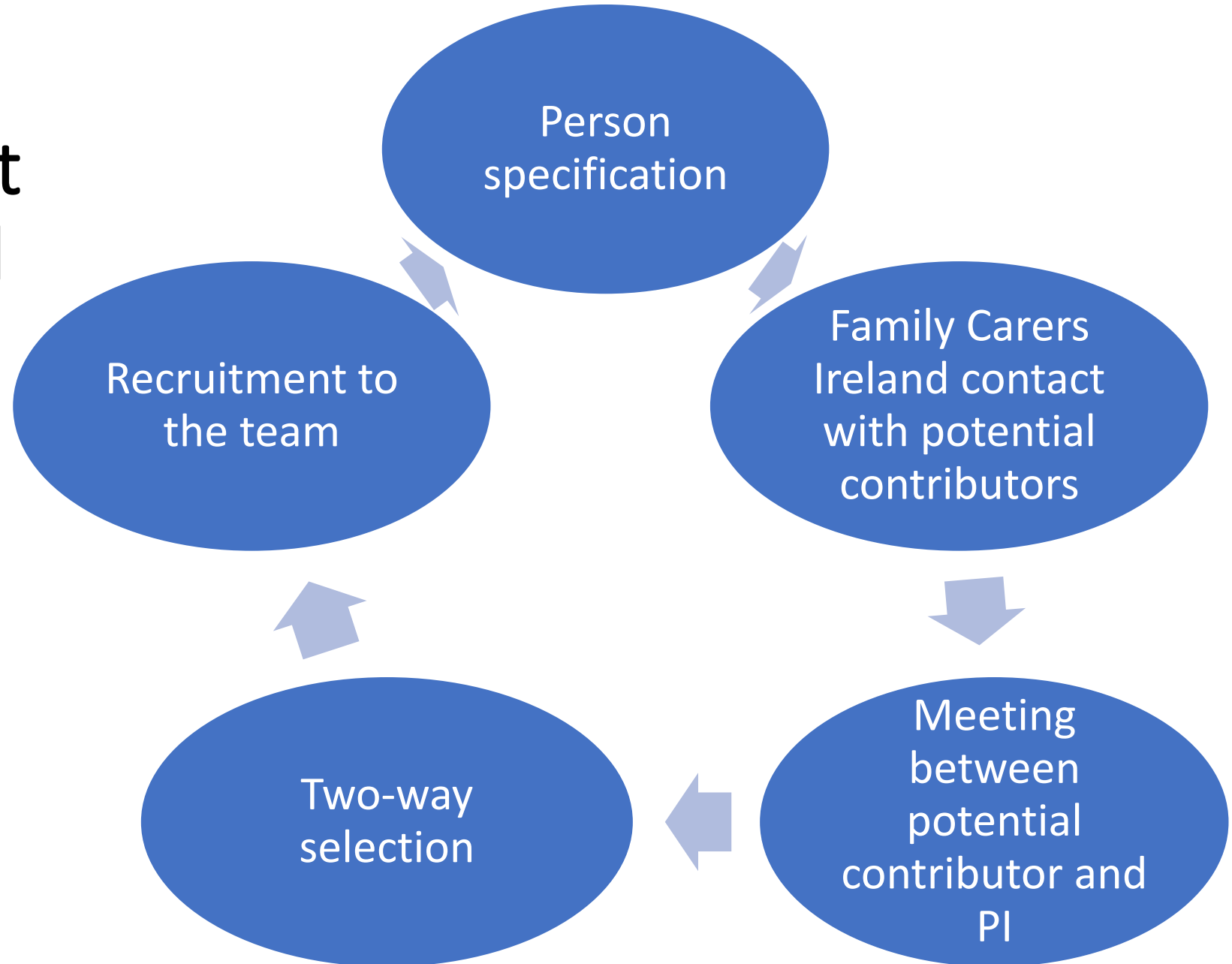
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Partnership with Family Carers Ireland



- PPI relationship established at protocol stage.
- Irish Research Council New Foundations Award 2020 presented an opportunity.
- Vision to establish a project PPI panel and build PPI panel capability.
- Potential mutual benefits for the academic researchers, FCI and the project.
- Consideration of recognition and remuneration for PPI contributions.

Recruitment of PPI panel



Governance



Human Resources

Non-disclosure agreement



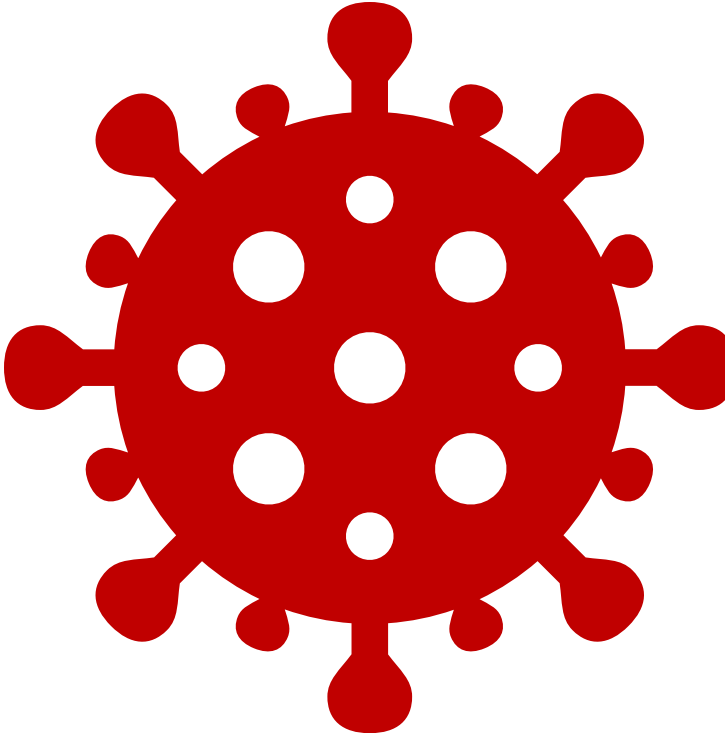
Nature of PPI activities

- Co-researchers
- Data analysts
- Manuscript co-authorship
- Outreach co-design and co-authorship

Training and upskilling

- Training to support meaningful PPI and upskilling in qualitative research analysis methods.
- Collaboration with world experts in Centre for Medication Safety and Service Quality, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, London, UK.
- Two training sessions.
- One research seminar.
- Remote interaction.

Covid-19 contingencies



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