# EIC Working Group
# Qualitative Implementation Research (EIC-QIR)


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## *Mission and Purpose*

EIC-QIR aims to provide a forum for implementation researchers with an interest in qualitative research methods to discuss and reflect on their work and thereby promote and strengthen qualitative implementation research in Europe.

## *Organisation of the group*

Beginning in the summer of 2024, **EIC-QIR** will meet for monthly activities outlined below. Depending on the activity, these gatherings will alternate in format and duration, sometimes lasting an hour, sometimes longer.

The **EIC-QIR** core team will organise, and coordinate group activities based on e-mail and direct messaging. Activities open to the wider EIC community will be announced through the EIC newsletter and website.

**EIC-QIR** will be permanently listed on the part of the EIC website dedicated to working groups.

## *Members*

**EIC-QIR** members share a strong interest in using qualitative methods in implementation research. They are early-, mid-, and late-career professionals with different levels of experience in qualitative research. They work at universities, or research centres, for service agencies or intermediary organizations, or they may be consultants conducting implementation research. They work with qualitative methods in health care, social work, education, and other human services.

With interactivity, exchange, and shared learning being core values of the group, the facilitation and moderation of the group will emphasise giving equal voice to EIC-QIR members, who are expected to contribute actively to EIC-QIR activities. Our work language is English with all proficiencies being welcome.

## *Activities*

**EIC-QIR** will facilitate activities to support its members in

- learning about and enhancing their use of qualitative research methods.

- discussing qualitative data with colleagues.
- connecting with other qualitative implementation researchers and expanding their professional network.
- showcasing qualitative implementation research together with like-minded colleagues at webinars, events, conferences, symposia etc.

To achieve the above, **EIC-QIR** members will gather monthly, with activities alternating between more traditional online presentations by guest speakers with subsequent Q&A, data discussion and reflection meetings, planning meetings for the joint development of conference presentations or webinars open for the wider EIC community.

**EIC-QIR** will host one educational webinar per year targeting EIC members and will contribute to the biennial European Implementation Event with a workshop focused on the use of qualitative methods in implementation research.