

PREVENTING CHRONIC DISEASE

REVIEWER CHECKLIST FOR COMMUNITY CASE STUDIES

(Instructions for Reviewers: Please include this checklist with your Manuscript Evaluation.)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 1. Does this article describe a disease prevention activity, such as a community program, community-based intervention or evaluation, or field observation? |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 2. Does the program illustrate the transition from research to practice? |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 3. Does it offer specific ways to improve the program? |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 4. Does it emphasize the context (community) in which the activity occurs? |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 5. Does it offer special insight and commentary? |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 6. Does it add to what is already known about public health practice? |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 7. Does it fit the scope of <i>PCD</i> ? |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 8. Is the purpose and function of the program or evaluation clear? |
| 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 9. Is the article divided into the following sections: <i>Background</i> , <i>Context</i> , <i>Methods</i> , <i>Consequences</i> and <i>Interpretation</i> ? |

Background

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 1. Does <i>Background</i> provide scientific knowledge on the disease and the intervention? |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 2. Does this section include references? |

Context

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 1. Does <i>Context</i> adequately describe the community? |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 2. Does it outline the characteristics of the local population? |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 3. Does it describe other community aspects (such as economic base, recreational facilities, diet, or support systems) that might be relevant to the program described? |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 4. Does it explain why the health problem addressed is so prevalent in this community? |

Methods

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 1. Does <i>Methods</i> describe the program, activities, or intervention? |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | 2. Does it provide a timeline? |

- 3. Yes No
- 4. Yes No
- 5. Yes No
- 6. Yes No

- 3. Does this section describe how participants are recruited?
- 4. Does it describe staffing skills required?
- 5. Does it describe materials used to educate or reward participants?
- 6. Does it describe how the program was evaluated?

Consequences

- 1. Yes No
- 2. Yes No
- 3. Yes No
- 4. Yes No
- 5. Yes No

- 1. Does *Consequences* provide details on what got better, what got worse, and how things changed?
- 2. Does it describe barriers or advantages encountered especially unexpected ones?
- 3. Does it describe what was learned through evaluation or field observation?
- 4. Does it describe what actions were taken on the basis of the findings?
- 5. Does it describe how feedback was provided to the community?

Interpretation

- 1. Yes No
- 2. Yes No
- 3. Yes No
- 4. Yes No

- 1. Does *Interpretation* adequately support material in the report?
- 2. Was the activity worthwhile?
- 3. Does the article demonstrate how context affected consequences?
- 4. Does it offer advice to other communities that might be interested in setting up a similar program?

