

Qualitative Family Research Network (QFRN)

Focus Group Meeting Agenda
2021 NCFR Meeting

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Presentation of Anselm Strauss Award for Qualitative Family Research

Presentation of Winning Article or Book Chapter

The Anselm Strauss Award for Qualitative Family Research recognizes significant work in the area of family theory, methods and research that comes from a qualitative tradition. The award is named for Anselm Strauss; his life's work was to develop and practice qualitative methodologies.

Nominations and award criteria are at: <https://www.ncfr.org/awards/focus-group-awards/qualitative-family-research-network/anselm-strauss-award>

Qualitative Research Roundtable Discussion

The goal is to discuss emerging issues of relevance to qualitative family research and to meet other qualitative researchers. A third goal is to support qualitative graduate research. Please bring your own issues and concerns.

Advancing qualitative research sophistication in analysis: Who are your mentors? How do you innovate? Where is family research innovating and where is it lagging behind?

Advancing social justice through qualitative research: How are normative issues, like social justice, part of research? How is qualitative research challenged to address social justice, or is this its strength? What responsibility do researchers have to discuss their own social location and how can this be done in a meaningful way? Personal experience: When is the right time to introduce personal experience, and how does it influence the research process/analysis?

Supporting diversity in research and researchers: We are all aware of inequities in the academic environment. Are these reflected in qualitative research, and how so? How can we support diversity of researchers, research topics, and publication of diverse research? How is diversity in qualitative research challenged? How can we reach across divides of the global North and global South to work internationally?

Advancing rigor: What things can you do to enhance the rigor, trustworthiness, and credibility of qualitative study? How do you do member checks? What do you give to participants? Are emerging criterion checks in various journals a barrier or an asset to rigor and reputation of qualitative research? Have you encountered these? What are the range of possible responses to checklist demands?

Models and Metaphors: Do you have to have a figure/diagram/model? How do you create one? Look at guiding questions at the end of Aine and Elise's book.

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How to connect with QFRN members and other qualitative researchers

QFRN online discussions, NCFR QFRN webpage, QFRN Facebook group

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2. **Post directly from your email.** In any discussion group emails, click "Post New Message" to create a new discussion. You can also respond to a discussion thread from your email.