## Supplementary data

Quality rating of studies by Journal endorsement, author stated compliance and field of nursing

Quality of reporting	Published in COREQ endorsing Journal (n=81)	Published in a journal that did not endorse COREQ (n=116)
Good/moderate (17-32 items)	56	2
Very poor/poor (0-16 items)	25	59

 $X^2$  (1, n = 197) = 5.42, p = 0.02

Quality of reporting	Authors reported complying with COREQ (n=11)	Authors did not report complying with COREQ (n=186)
Good/moderate (17-32 items)	10	107
Very poor/poor (0-16 items)	1	79

 $X^2$  (1, n = 197) = 4.80, p = 0.03

Quality of reporting	Field of Nursing (adult) (n=81)	Field of Nursing (Mental health, Child, Learning Disability, Midwifery) (n=116)
Good/moderate (17-32 items)	75	42
Very poor/poor (0-16 items)	55	25

 $X^2$  (1, n = 197) = 0.46, p = 0.50