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REVIEWERS' COMMENTS

APPLICATION ID	EPP23-4503463743
ECR APPLICANT	Dr Melinda Goodyear
PUBLICATION TITLE	Development of an Evidence-Informed and Codesigned Model of Support for Children of Parents With a Mental Illness— "It Takes a Village" Approach

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1	Melinda Goodyear: This paper outlines a substudy as part of a larger project on supporting children of parents with a mental illness. Strengths: The paper is well written, outlines a substantial body of work with this element led by the applicant, and the work was published as an invited paper as part of a special research collection in a high ranking and widely read journal. The applicant spoke to the wide reach of the paper (downloads). The significance and translational impact was clearly articulated by the applicant. Weaknesses: A minor point, given the paper represented one part of a larger body of work, it was difficult to clearly point to the contribution of the applicant versus other co-authors.
2	Melinda Goodyear: Strengths: Reports on a large body of social and behavioural research that took years to complete. Comprehensive description. Has the potential to be ground breaking in the description of this kind of community based research in the development of mental health services Weaknesses: By not highlighting the key principles that can be adopted in other settings, the authors have limited the transferability of this work.
3	Melinda Goodyear: This is a great effort in this paper describing the "It takes a Village" which aims to improve mental health in young people. The paper is well written and methodology well described. As the authors themselves state, this paper does not yet demonstrate effectiveness although the research that has been completed thus far looks very promising. This is exciting research - well done!
4	The use of co-design is welcomed in this area of study, which is looking very much at support structures for children in this domain. They are an especially vulnerable group. The research approach is thorough and well justified. What it would be good to see is more of the translational impact within the Australian context. It is a well led and conceptually justified study.

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