Strategies for ethical participation of children up to 8 years in qualitative research

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Old perceptions

A child’s life has usually been researched from their parents and guardian’s point of view or ended up being part of a larger research focused on the family as a whole.
Current days

The way children and childhood are regraded has changed.
Strategies

- Written consent;
- Conducting the interview in a familiar and safe location;
- Short and simple questions;
- Semi-structured interviews;
- Establish a bond with the children.
Icebreaking moment
Conclusion

Children should participate and be included in the research. They are competent and have the right to participate.

Strategies need to be adapted to children and their environment.
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Thank you!

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