**PLANNING YOUR GROUNDED THEORY STUDY**

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| Activity | Details | Complete? |
| Acknowledge assumptions | Identify:   * Your philosophical position * What you already know about the topic * What you expect you will find from your research * Any apprehension, concerns or fears you may have | Yes/No |
| Clarify the research question and aims | Establish broad and flexible research questions and aims | Yes/No |
| Review the literature | Undertake a limited and contained review of the literature for the purpose of:   * Orientating yourself to the field * Identifying the extent of current knowledge | Yes/No |
| Develop a research design | Produce a plan for undertaking your study that is flexible and amenable to change as your analysis progresses | Yes/No |
| Identify ethical and legal issues | Consider potential ethical and legal issues that may impact on your study  Complete the necessary IRB documentation  Explore the requirements for subsequent amendments should they be required | Yes/No |
| Determine required resources | Compile a list of required resources  Produce a budget  Seek opportunities for funding | Yes/No |
| Develop timeline | Establish timelines including allowance for contingencies  Produce a Gantt chart that is amenable to regular review as study progresses | Yes/No |