

Qualitative Research Approach

Case Study

A Case Study is a contemporary qualitative research methodology in which an in-depth analysis of a bounded system is conducted in a real-world context or setting. The bounded system (the case or cases) is defined within certain parameters of place, timeframe, etc. This approach is well-aligned with healthcare education and practice research (Creswell 2018).

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