COMICE Well-Being Study

Section 1 Presurgical assessment

Q1 What investigations did you have before surgery?

Ultrasound	Yes	No
Fine needle aspiration	Yes	No
X-ray mammography	Yes	No
MRI	Yes	No

If not answered spontaneously prompt

Q2 How thoroughly was your cancer investigated before surgery?

Q2a

Record response and ask if she felt she was investigated:

Too thoroughly About right Too few investigations

Explore further and ask if she thought she had the right number of tests before surgery.

O₂b

Were the number of tests about right, too many or too few?

About right Too few Too many

Q3 Were any of the tests distressing (refer to list in Q1)

Ultrasound	Yes	No
Fine needle aspiration	Yes	No
X-ray mammography	Yes	No
MRI	Yes	No

If any of the tests were found to be distressing ask how distressing they were?

Ultrasound	 Not distressing 	Slightly distressing	Moderately distressing	Very distressing
Fine needle aspiration	 Not distressing 	Slightly distressing	Moderately distressing	Very distressing
X-ray mammography	 Not distressing 	Slightly distressing	Moderately distressing	Very distressing
MRI	 Not distressing 	Slightly distressing	Moderately distressing	Very distressing

Q3a

If any of the tests were distressing ask what was distressing and record the answer.

Q4 What type of surgery did you have?
Unilateral mastectomy Bilateral mastectomy Quadrant mastectomy Wide local excision
If they had a mastectomy ask if they had any reconstruction. If yes ask if it was:
TRAM flap LD Implant
Q4a When was the reconstruction carried out?
Immediately Delayed
Q5 How many nights did you spend in hospital (count the first night following surgery as night one)?
nights
Q6 Did you have any problems in hospital following your surgery? Yes \Box No \Box
Q6a If yes what problems did you have?
1.
2.
3.
4.
Q7 Looking back on your surgery were you given a choice about the type of surgery you had? Yes \Box No \Box
Q7a Was that helpful? Yes No
Q7b On reflection do you think you made the right decision? Yes No
Q8 How satisfied are you with the shape of your breasts at present?
Very satisfied Satisfied Dissatisfied Very dissatisfied
If the patient had a second operation repeat Questions 5–8.
Q8a How distressing did you find the second operation?
Not distressing Slightly distressing Moderately distressing Very distressing

Section 2 Surgery

Section 3 Adjuvant therapy

Q9 Have you had any treatment following surgery?

Radiotherapy Yes No Chemotherapy Yes No

Hormone therapy Yes No – tamoxifen

MAB Yes No – trastuzumab (Herceptin; monoclonal antibodies)

Q9a

If RT how long after surgery did your treatment start? Record in weeks weeks

Was that: the right time too soon too late

Q9b

If CT how long after surgery did your treatment start? Record in weeks weeks

Was that: the right time too soon too late

O9c

If HT how long after surgery did your treatment start? Record in weeks _____ weeks

Was that: the right time too soon too late

O9d

If MAB how long after surgery did your treatment start? Record in weeks weeks

Was that: the right time too soon too late

Q10 Are there any other treatments which you think might have benefited you

Record answers

Section 4 MRI

If patient had a scan (refer to Section 1) ask

Q11 How did you feel about the decision about having a scan?

Pleased Not pleased Indifferent

Q11a

On balance did it reassure you or make you anxious?

Reassured me Made me anxious

Why did it reassure you/make you anxious?

Section 5 Research knowledge

Q12	Before agreeing to take part in this study were you aware of any other breast cancer studies which	were taking
place	e?	

Yes No

O12a

If yes can you tell me what the studies were about? (record answer)

Q12b

Did it influence you in any way to take part in the study?

Yes No

O12c

Where did you hear about these studies?

Newspaper Radio TV Magazine Friend/Relative

Section 6 In retrospect

Q13 What aspect of your treatment was done well? (record what patient says)

Q13a

What aspect of your treatment should have been done better? (record what patient says)

Q13b

If you could change one thing about your treatment what would it be? (record what patient says)

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Patient name	name Patient ID Patient centre)				
Date of interview	////	/	Interview recorded Yes			No		
Section 1 Inves	stigations	1						
Q1								
Ultrasound		,	Yes □ No □					
FNA		,	Yes □ No □					
X-ray		,	Yes □ No □					
MRI		•	Yes □ No □					
Q2 Thoroughr What the patien	ness of inv t said	vestigation	ns					
Q2a Record whether	investiga	ted						
Too thoroughly								
About right								
Too few								
Q2b Number of tests	pre-surge	ery						
About right 🗖	Too ma	ny 🗖 T	oo few 🗖					
Q3 Tests causin	ng distres	s						
Ultrasound	Yes 🗖	No 🗖	Not distressing	Slightly dis	stressing	Moderately	Very distressing	
FNA	Yes 🗖	No 🗖	Not distressing	Slightly dis	stressing	Moderately	Very distressing	
X-ray	Yes 🗖	No 🗖	Not distressing	Slightly dis	stressing	Moderately	Very distressing	
MRI	Yes 🗖	No □	Not distressing	Slightly dis	stressing	Moderately	Very distressing	

Q3a What was distressing (record what patient says)							
Section 2 Surgery							
Q4 Operation performe	ed						
Unilateral mastectomy		Yes 🗖	No 🗖	TRAM □	LD 🗖	Implant 🗖	
Bilateral mastectomy		Yes □	No 🗖	TRAM □	LD 🗖	Implant 🗖	
Quadrant mastectomy		Yes 🗖	No 🗖				
Wide local excision		Yes 🗖	No 🗖				
Q4a Reconstruction carried ou			ly 🗖	Delayed □			
Q5 Nights in hospital							
nights (excluding pr	reoperativ	e nights)					
Q6 Problems in hospital		Yes 🗆	No 🗆				
Q6a Problems encountered							
1.							
2.							
3.							
4.							
Q7 Choice of surgery		Yes 🗆	No 🗆				
Q7a Helpful	Yes 🗖	No 🗖					
Q7b Right decision	Yes 🗖	No 🗖					
Q7c Reconstruction offered	Yes 🗖	No 🗖					

Q8 Satisfaction w	ith sh	ape of brea	ast		
Very satisfied					
Satisfied					
Dissatisfied					
Very dissatisfied					
Q8a Second operation					
Q8b Nights in hospital _		_nights (exc	eluding preoperative nights)	
Q8c Problems in hospita	ıl	Yes 🗖	No 🗖		
Q8d Problems encounter	red				
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
Q8e Choice of surgery		Yes 🗖	No □		
Q8f Helpful		Yes □	No 🗆		
Q8g Right decision		Yes 🗖	No □		
Q8h Reconstruction offe	ered	Yes □	No 🗆		
Q8i Satisfaction with sh	ape o	f breast			
Very satisfied					
Satisfied					
Dissatisfied					
Very dissatisfied					

Q8j Second operation level of o	distress					
Not distressing						
Slightly distressing						
Moderately distressing						
Very distressing						
Section 3 Adjuvant thera	ру					
Q9 Treatment following	surgery					
Radiotherapy		Yes 🗖	No □	(If yes go to Q10a)		
Chemotherapy		Yes 🗖	No 🗖	(If yes go to Q10b)		
Hormone therapy		Yes □	No 🗆	(If yes go to Q10c)		
MAB		Yes 🗖	No 🗆	(If yes go to Q10d)		
Q9a Radiotherapy weeks	3					
Right time Too soon	n 🗖	Too late 🗖				
Q9b Chemotherapy week	κs					
Right time Too soon	n 🗖	Too late 🗖				
Q9c Hormone therapy w	eeks					
Right time Too soon	n 🗖	Too late 🗖				
Q9d MAB weeks						
Right time Too soon	n 🗖	Too late 🗖				
Q10 Other treatments th	at migh	t have bene	fited (lis	it)		
1.						
2.						
3.						

Section 4 MRI
Q11 Decision about having a scan
Pleased □ Not pleased □ Indifferent □
Q11a Reassure or make anxious
Reassured me Made me anxious
Response to Q11a
Section 5 Research knowledge
Q12 Aware of other breast cancer studies: Yes No No
Q12a Knowledge of studies
Q12b Influence to participate in study Yes □ No □
Q12c Heard about studies from
Newspaper □ Radio □ TV □ Magazine □ Friend/Relative □
Section 6 In retrospect
Q13 Aspects of treatment which were done well 1.
Q13a Aspects which could have been done better 1.
Q13b What would you change? 1.