

HCP Interviews Discussion Guide

Before commencing Interview:

Ensure have completed consent form, discussed recording interview and anonymisation of data.

Check staff member is happy to start interview and inform you will turn audio recorder on.

Check we have access to Age and Gender

Introduction:

1. To start with could you tell me about your experience of the study to date?

Prompts:

What was your role?

What motivated you to take part?

Where you happy to be involved?

2. How have you found using the AUDIT to screen patients for alcohol use?

Prompts:

have you used it before?

was it easy to score?

were you comfortable asking all the questions?

3. And what about the intervention?

Prompts:

Have you used these material before?

Have you used another intervention (other materials before) – if so what?

How did you feel about talking to your patient about alcohol?

How did the patient react?

Feasibility Questions:

1. How did you find the screening fit in with usual preoperative assessment procedures?

Prompts:

What worked well?

What didn't work well?

Suggestions for improvements?

2. Do you think it is practical to conduct screening during preoperative assessment?

Prompts:

Why is that?

Can you expand on that?

3. How did you find the intervention fit in with usual preoperative assessment procedures?

Prompts:

What worked well?

What didn't work well?

Was there enough time to deliver the intervention?

Can you expand on that?

4. Do you think it is practical to deliver an intervention during preoperative assessment?

Intervention Materials:

1. We've got the study materials here, could you tell me what you thought of them?

Prompts:

Do you have any suggestions about how we could improve the materials?

Where there any aspects that you thought were particularly good or bad?

2. Where you able to link these materials to the theories covered in the training you received?

Prompts:

Could you give me some examples of the key components of the intervention and where they appear in the materials?

3. How did patients react to the study materials?

Prompts:

Were they well received?

Were there any negative comments or reactions?

Procedure Questions

1. How did you find the overall procedure?

Prompts:

So things like gaining consent, screening patients, conducting the intervention and the booster?

Can you think of any way the procedure could be improved?

Fidelity Questions:

1. Did you find it easy enough to stick to the intervention?

2. Were there any factors that influenced how you delivered the intervention?

Prompts:

Can you think of any that would?

Acceptability:

1. How did you feel talking about alcohol with patients during preoperative assessment?

Prompts:

Did you feel you had the necessary skills and understanding to do this?

2. How did patients react to talking about their alcohol use in this setting?

Prompts:

Do you think that's specific to older orthopaedic patients?

Closing Questions:

1. Is there anything that you think we should have talked about that we haven't?
2. Is there anything that you would like to add?

To Close the Interview:

Turn off recorder.

Thank the staff member for giving up their time to take part and for providing useful insight.

Remind that data will be used to inform future trial and may be used in publications but will be transcribed and anonymised so they are unidentifiable

Ask if they have any questions