



Interviewer Notes

1. Using the interviewer prompts

When asking about how the respondent feels about the domain in question, interviewers may add that this question is asking about the service user's present situation to clarify the timeframe of the question.

2. Using the 'Don't know' option

This interview schedule is intended for use as part of a mixed-methods toolkit, and not recommended to be used as a standalone interview. If you are intending to use the schedule as a standalone tool, the 'don't know' option should be removed from the answers, as otherwise you will not be able to calculate an overall ASCOT score. It is advised that those using the mixed-method toolkit attend training provided by PSSRU.

3. Notes on Sensitive Questions

It should be noted that the set of questions asks respondents to think about their lives and experiences. This may be upsetting to some respondents, particularly if they are currently experiencing difficulties. We would recommend that the interviewer clearly explains the nature of the questions before obtaining informed consent, and emphasises the respondent's right to terminate the interview or to refuse to answer specific questions without further explanation.

4. Extra space

There is space under each question to record any further relevant information the respondent gives you regarding that domain. It may be useful to record any contextual information, or reasoning for a person's answer, in this box.

Kent



Introduction

I would like to ask you some questions about your life here in the care home. I would like to know about your experience of living in this care home and how you feel about your quality of life here. I will do this by asking about different aspects of your life.

There are no wrong or right answers. I am just interested in your views and experiences.

If I ask you something that isn't clear just ask me to explain and if I ask you a question that you would rather not answer that is fine, just tell me you'd rather not talk about that and we can move on to another topic.

If you would like to either have a short break or stop the interview entirely at any point, again just let me know.



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1. Thinking about the food and drink you get, which of the following statements best describes your situation?

Please tick (☑) I get all the food and drink I like when I want I get adequate food and drink at OK times I don't always get adequate or timely food and drink I don't always get adequate or timely for and drink, and I think there is a risk to my health Not known [If not known, go to the next question] es:	terviewer prompt: If needed, please prompt: When answering the	question, think about
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Accommodation cleanliness and comfort

2. Which of the following statements best describes how clean and comfortable it is here?

Interviewer prompt: When thinking about how clean and comforatable it is here please think about communual areas of the care home such as the lounge, hallways and the dining room as well as your own room

If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation at the moment.

		Please tick (☑)	one box
	It is as clean and comfortable as I want here		
	It is adequately clean and comfortable here		
	It is not quite clean or comfortable enough here		
	It is not at all clean or comfortable here		
	Not known [If not known, go to the next question]		
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Personal cleanliness and comfort

3. Thinking about keeping clean and presentable in appearance, which of the following statements best describes your situation?

Please tick (☑) on I feel clean and am able to present myself the way I like I feel adequately clean and presentable I feel less than adequately clean or presentable I don't feel at all clean or presentable Not known [If not known, go to the next question] es:	our situation at the moment.	
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I don't feel at all clean or presentable Not known [If not known, go to the next question]	I feel adequately clean and presentable	
Not known [If not known, go to the next question]	I feel less than adequately clean or presentable	
	I don't feel at all clean or presentable	
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Social participation & involvement

4. Thinking about how much contact you have with people you like, which of the following statements best describes your social situation?

Interviewer prompt: If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation at the moment.

	I have as much social contact as I want with people I like	
	I have adequate social contact with people	
	I have some social contact with people, but not enough	
	I have little social contact with people and feel socially isolated	
	Not known [If not known, go to the next question]	
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Please tick (☑) one box



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5.	Which of the	following state	ements best d	escribes how	vou spend	vour time
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Interviewer prompt: When you are thinking about how you spend your time please include anything you value or enjoy such as leisure activities.

If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation at the moment.

		Please tick (⊻	1) one
	I'm able to spend my time as I want, doing things I value or enjoy		
	I'm able to do enough of the things I value or enjoy with my time	(
	I do some of the things I value or enjoy with my time but not enough		
	I don't do anything I value or enjoy with my time	(
	Not known [If not known, go to the next question]		
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Control over daily	/ life
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moment.

6. Which of the following statements best describes how much control you have over your daily life?

Interviewer prompt: By 'control over daily life' we mean having the choice to do things or have things done for you as you like and when you want.

If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation at the

Please tick (☑) one box

I have as much control over my daily life as I want

I have adequate control over my daily life

I have some control over my daily life

I have no control over my daily life

Not known [If not known, go to the next question]

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Personal Personal	safety
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Interviewer prompt: By 'feeling safe' we mean how safe you feel both inside and outside the care home. This includes fear of abuse, falling or other physical harm.

If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation at the moment.

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	I feel as safe as I want	
	Generally I feel adaquately safe, but not as safe as I would like	
	I feel less than adaquately safe	
	I don't feel safe at all	
	Not known [If not known, go to the next question]	
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Anxiety	
8. Which of the following statements best describes how often you feel vanxious?	worried or
Interviewer prompt:	
If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation moment.	ation at the
	Please tick (☑) one box
I hardly ever feel worried or anxious	
I occasionally feel worried or anxious	
I often feel worried or anxious	
I constantly feel worried or anxious	
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Low mood	
9. Which of the following statements best describes how often you feel a low mood?	down or have
Interviewer prompt:	
If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situmoment.	nation at the
	Please tick (☑) one
I hardly ever feel down or have a low mood	
I occasionally feel down or have a low mood	
I often feel down or have a low mood	
I constantly feel down or have a low mood	
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Pain		

10. Which of the following statements best describes how often you are in pain?

Interviewer prompt: If you have pain but it is well managed through medication or other techniques, please you answer on how often you are in pain with these things in place. If your pain is not well managed, base your answer on that.

If needed, please prompt: When answering the question, think about your situation at the moment.

	Please tick (☑) one box
I am hardly ever in pain	
I am occasionally in pain	
I am often in pain	
I am constantly in pain	
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Ha	ring help makes me think and feel be	etter about myself	
Ha	ring help does not affect the way I th	ink or feel about myself	
Ha	ving help sometimes undermines the	way I think or feel about myself	
Ha	ring help completely undermines the	way I think or feel about myself	
No	known [If not known, go to the next	question]	
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. Which of these statements best describes how the way you are helped akes you think and feel about yourself?	and treated	d
	Please tick ((☑) one
The way I'm helped and treated makes me think and feel better about mysel	f	
The way I'm helped and treated does not affect the way I think or feel about	myself	
The way I'm helped and treated sometimes undermines they way I think and myself	feel about	
The way I'm helped and treated completely undermines the way I think and f myself	eel about	
Not known		



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