

First interview schedule for CONSTRUCT participants (RCT only)

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Patients will be contacted to arrange a convenient date/time. Explanation about interview will include 'Your information will be very valuable/helpful and inform us of things we don't know about and therefore I would like to speak to you uninterrupted for up to one hour'.

At the start, brief background information will be requested, eg when diagnosed, when admitted, which drug given as inpatient, whether treated with infliximab or ciclosporin in the past.

Firstly, I want to ask you questions about your health and well-being and then I will ask you questions about the treatment you received (*make sure patient knows which episode of treatment*). The next questions are about your health and well-being.

1. What is important to you about your health?
2. What does good health mean to you? }
3. What does bad health mean to you? } if time short, drop these
4. What were the main difficulties your illness was causing you before the treatment?
(*past symptoms / quality of life*)
5. How has the illness affected your quality of life?

Before we move on to the second part of the interview about your recent treatment, when I will ask 9 questions, are there any other comments you would like to make about your health that we have not covered.

I would now like to ask you some questions about the treatment you received (*make sure patient understands which episode of treatment*).

6. In what form were the medicines administered?
7. How easy was that to manage?
8. What were the positive aspects of having the medicines given in this way?
9. What were the challenging aspects of having the medicines given in this way?
10. How has the treatment affected you?
(*side effects*)
11. How long do you think the effects, good or bad, of the treatment lasted?
12. If you found that the positive effects were short-term, do you consider it was worthwhile having the treatment?
13. Can you describe what difference the treatment has made to your daily life
14. How does the treatment regimen that you are on now compare with other therapies or treatments you might have had in the past?
(*Perceptions of safety & implications of having this treatment. Surgery – if last resort why?*)
15. To conclude, we have covered a whole range of issues, I would like to finish by asking what are your views of the medicines you are currently taking?

I have finished asking the set questions - are there any other comments you would like to make?

NB –remember to say will be contacting again in 9 months' time to interview again