

## Health Care Professional interview schedule – high trial recruitment

### PI/Nurse interviews. Judgement sampling, sites with **high trial recruitment**.

1. What are your views about administering IV ciclosporin?
2. What are your views about administering infliximab?
3.
  - a. What are your views about treating a patient with infliximab?
  - b. What are your views about treating a patient with ciclosporin?
4.
  - a. What are your views about treating a patient with infliximab in the longer term?  
*Outcomes for pt*
  - b. What are your views about treating a patient with ciclosporin in the longer term?  
*Outcome for pt*
5.
  - a. **Consultant only**  
What do you think your nursing staff feel about administering these drugs – are their views different to yours and if so, why?
  - b. **Nurse only**  
What do you think the doctors feel about administering these drugs – do they have a different perspective on administering the drug to you?
6. Do you have a treatment preference? Why?
7. What are your views about colectomy as a treatment for acute severe colitis as opposed to medical intervention?
8. What are your views on NICE guidance which states that infliximab can only be used in acute severe UC when ciclosporin is contraindicated?
9. NICE also allows use of infliximab in research because there is not enough evidence. Should it be used 'only in research', ie in CONSTRUCT – what are your views about that?  
*(depending on answer to above, can explore question of equipoise – in context of trial do you have an open mind about both the drugs? Trying to find out if have patients who they think should have infliximab so didn't put into the trial)*

### Nurse interviews only:

10. Can you give me a feel for roughly how long during an infusion of ciclosporin you were prevented from doing other duties?  
*(if they can put a figure on it, that's great but they may well not be able to be that specific. It may be that they say it didn't prevent them but they just kept a close eye on the participant, kept checking them out of the corner of their eye)*

### PI interviews only:

In summary, you have told us about your personal preference regarding the two drugs and your views on NICE guidelines and negotiating care with patients, but it is very important to us that we have a good understanding of your site's view on the two drugs, as issues of equipoise have already arisen in other site interviews, so:

11. Can you clarify where your site stands on the effectiveness of the two drugs, what we might call "scientific equipoise"?
12. And, we would also like clarification on where your site stands on the experience of using the two drugs, what we might call "administering equipoise"?
13. Do you feel that this has in any way influenced your site's participation in the trial?