PHyT, Stage 3 Patient Topic Guide

Part A. Background

- Welcome/Introduction/ground rules/aims
- 2. Background information on participant (age, general health)
- · Can you tell me briefly about your hypermobility
 - When diagnosed?
 - Understanding of hypermobility? explanatory model
 - Daily life with hypermobility?
 - Personal management of hypermobility? joint. protection, dealing with flare ups and exercise
- · How is your health at the moment
- Past experience/views of physiotherapy/medical treatment?
 - Views and experiences?
 - · what did it include?
 - education/ advice / exercise given?
 - Attitudes towards physiotherapy for HS before trial?
- · Why were you referred on this occasion?

Part B. Trial views

- Can you remember how you heard about the study?
- . How did you find the study information?
- How did you feel about being asked to take part in a study about physiotherapy as a treatment for hypermobility ?
- · Trial understanding
 - Aims of the study
 - what taking part in the study would involved?
 - terms: randomisation, equipolse.
 - preference for arm
- Why did you decide to take part? Did you discuss your decision with others?
- What were your expectations of taking part in the study?

Part C: Experience of trial participation

- Experience: What has it been like to take part in this study:
 - Views of ADV, SESSION (level, method, pace, approach)
 - Personal changes what was the impact of the info/advice session on
 - Behaviour activity, posture, pacing, sleep,
 - . Health pain, fatigule, mobility
 - Psychological mood, energy
 - Facilitators/barriers to adherence and adhrence to homework.
 - What do you think has worked well?
 - Challenges/what could have improved your experience of taking part?
- . Knowledge: Anything else that you would have liked to have received more information about?
- · For Participants in the INTERVENTION arm, to also explore:
 - Views of PHYSIO/BOOKLET level, method, pace, order of treatment.
 - Personal changes Behaviour: activity, posture, pacing, sleep

Health:

Psychological: mood, energy

pain, fatiguie, mobility

- Facilitators/barriers to adherence, doing homework and preparation
- What do you think has worked well?
- Challenges/what could have improved your experience of taking part?
- . FOR ALL participants: Did the intervention meet your expectations: How did it
- Questionnaire: how did you find filling out the questionnaires? usefulness/if filling out?
- . Final Thoughts: Do you have any final points that you would like to discuss or that you feel you didn't have the opportunity to say?
- · Would you like us to send you a brief report of the study's findings?

compare with other treatments/interventions that you've had?

Notes