

INCLUDE semi structured interview topic guide

Timeline	Topic
Q1 Start of lockdown	A,B,C,D,E
Q2. Some loosening of restrictions	A,B,C,D,E
Q3. The situation now	A,B,C,D,E

	Topic	Prompts
A	Difficulties or changes to daily routines; [emotional and social].	Mood and worries. Contact with others
B	Own coping strategies and or support found to be helpful.	What was/is helpful? What did you/are doing differently? Who helped/is helping? What did others do/are doing?
C	Additional or missing support or information that might have been helpful.	What did/do you need? What could have been done?
D	Any unexpected benefits or outcomes; and how they might be maintained.	Anything you liked/like about it? Changes for the better?
E	Training or information health or social care professionals or volunteers need to help people with memory difficulties in the COVID-19 situation	Practical things? Information? Resources?

Thank-you for taking part in the interview you did with us recently about how the coronavirus has affected you. We would like to talk to you further about your experiences during the coronavirus pandemic in your own words.

Researcher will refer to the structure above, following the timeline of the pandemic (Q1-3) and the topics to cover at each time point A-E. For example:

Q1. At the start of the pandemic we were in a period of lockdown.

A: What were difficulties or challenges to your daily routine? [prompts]

B: What did you do to cope? Did anyone help you? [prompts]

C: What support did you need/want that you did not have? What information would have been useful? [prompts]

D: What were the unexpected benefits at that time? Did that carry on? If so, how? [prompts]

E: What would the doctors and social care services and volunteers have needed in order to support you and others like you at that time during the crisis. [prompts]

Q2. There was some gradual lifting of the restrictions.

How did that change things?

A: Were any difficulties or challenges to your daily routine better or worse?

B: What did you do differently? Did anyone help you?

C: What support did you need to cope during that period that you did not have or wanted? What information did you need?

D: What were the unexpected benefits at that time? Did that carry on? If so, how?

E: What would the doctors and social care services and volunteers have needed in order to support you and others like you at that time during the crisis. [prompts]

Q3. How are you affected in the current situation now?

A: Are any difficulties or challenges to your daily routine you experienced better or worse?

B: What are you doing differently now? Is anyone helping you?

C: What support do you need or want now and going forward? What information do you need going forward?

D: What were the unexpected benefits at this time? Have they continued? How could this be maintained?

E: What would the doctors and social care services and volunteers have needed in order to support you and others like you at that time during crisis. [prompts]