**Interview Schedule**

Pre-Interview

* Confirm time, date and technology prior to interview.
* Thank participant and ask if they are still happy to be involved with the project.
* Ensure participant has my contact details and reassure them that they are welcome to contact me with any questions or concerns that they may think of.

Points to raise prior to signing of consent form:

* **Audio recording of the interview** – check this is okay, show participant the recorder and explain that it is beneficial for the purposes of accuracy. Reassure that no one else will hear the tape aside from me. If not comfortable being recorded, then I can take notes instead.
* **Confidentiality** – Confirm that anything said will remain private unless someone’s safety is at risk. All data including personal contact information will be held securely by myself.
* **Anonymity** – All material will be anonymised e.g. pseudonyms given, locations/dates changed, although specific details may make the participant identifiable to familiar others.
* **Pseudonyms** – To protect their identity explain why/how a false name will be used.
* **Participant focus** – The topic of conversation to be guided by the participant. Reassure that we can stop, take a break or move on from anything that is too upsetting to talk about. Explain that we can return to the topic later if they feel comfortable/keen to do so.
* **Ability to stop** – Confirm that we can stop at any time, either for a break, for the day or their participation in the research entirely.

Signing of consent form:

* **Present consent form** – show form to participant and explain what it’s for.
* **Read through** – read each point and tick, checking for understanding and agreement.
* **Questions** – give participant chance to ask questions.
* **Duplicate** – ask participant to complete two identical forms, one for me and one for them.

The Interview

Begin by catching up with the participant, following up on anything they may have said in the previous interview about life changes/plans etc.

* Describe your mum/dad as a person
* How would you describe their parenting style when you were children?
* How did this change as you got older?
* What do you think caused these changes?
* Did they parent you and your sibling/s in the same way?
* How would you describe your family roles (then and now)?
* How would you describe your relationship with your parents (then and now)?
* In what ways do you think the death of your sibling changed how your parents treated you?
* In what ways do you think your parents influenced or shaped your bereavement experience?
* How have your feelings towards/about your parents changed over time?

Post-Interview

Debrief:

* Anything else they would like to add or ask?
* Reaffirm that can contact me with any queries or concerns in the meantime.

Next Steps:

* Explain that I will now go away and transcribe today’s conversation. It will be added to the information I have gathered by speaking with other people and used to inform a future funding bid. Would they like a short review of my analysis?