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**Care-experienced graduates' decision-making, choices, and destinations**

***Interview schedule one***

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| About you |
| 1. How old are you? 2. How would you describe your ethnicity? 3. How would you describe your gender identity? 4. Do you consider yourself to be disabled, or as having a long-term health condition? |
| Your university studies |
| 1. What are you currently/have most recently studied at university?  * Full time/part time?  1. What was your motivation/reason for studying this subject? 2. Which university do you/have most recently studied this at?  * What were your reasons for choosing to study at this university?  1. What did you do before starting at university? (employment, studying, something else) |
| Exploring next steps after graduation |
| 1. How long do you have left of your studies?   ***Or (if recently finished)*** when did you complete your studies?   1. Do you have any plans on what you are going to do immediately after the end of your course?  * If so, what are these plans?  1. What are your reasons for deciding on this/these plans?  * What motivated this decision/choice?  1. Do you feel these plans are achievable? 2. Do you foresee any challenges?  * If so, what are these? |
| If planning to undertake further study |
| 1. What has motivated you to undertake further study? 2. What, if anything, has made this option attractive to you? 3. Where are you going to undertake your studies?  * Same as current institution/different institution? * Why did you choose that institution? * **If moving to a different institution:** How do you feel about going into this new environment?  1. How do you feel about going on undertake further studies?  * What are you looking forward to (if anything)? * Do you foresee any challenges? If so, what are these? * What support do you feel would help you overcome these challenges?  1. How do you intend to use your PG degree?  * Do you feel it will help you find employment? * If so, how? * If not, why?  1. If you weren’t going on to undertake further study, what do you feel you would be doing instead?  * Why? |
| If entering employment |
| 1. What are your reasons for going to work in this job/this field? 2. How do you feel about entering employment?  * What are you looking forward to (if anything)? * Do you foresee any challenges? If so, what are these? * What support do you feel would help you overcome these challenges? |
| Support |
| 1. Have you received any support or guidance for these plans/next steps?  * If so, who from? * If so, what kind of support was this (financial, emotional, careers, education advice etc.) * Do you feel this support was helpful or not? Why?   **If no support received:**   1. Would support have been helpful to you or not?  * What kind(s) of support would have been helpful/useful? * Why?  1. If you could receive any kind or amount of support with your plans/next steps, what would this look like/consist of? |
| Expectations for graduate life |
| 1. How do you/did you feel about leaving university? (e.g. excited, nervous etc.)  * Why do you feel this way?  1. As you approach/approached graduation, what would you say are/were the key things on your mind at this time? |
| Additional points |
| 1. Is there anything that you would like to tell me about? 2. Is there anything you was hoping I would ask? |