Report supplementary material # 6: WP2b: service user and family member topic guides

Topic guide: interviews with service users

Setting the scene

- When you [the carers] stopped coming to visit you on [insert date] can you tell me what's happening/how you are now?
 - Are you receiving any other service/have any other people coming in to see you/support you now/currently? If yes, are they working with you in a different way to the [reablement carers]?

Reasons for being admitted to the reablement service

 Thinking back to when [the carers] first started, what were the difficulties you were experiencing, or events that happened, that led to you needing [the carers]?

Initial feelings and understanding of the intervention

- How did you find out that you getting/needed [the carers/enablers/ service]?
- o How did you feel when you heard you were going to be getting the service/having [the carers] come in? Did you think it was a good idea? Did you agree?
- Did someone explain to you why you needed [the service/the carers]?

Understanding their 'need' for reablement input

- Was it explained to you/ did you understand what the carers would be doing?
- o Did you understand why you needed help? Did you agree?
 - Was this what you wanted/ did you want the service?

Experiences of the reablement process

Goal-setting

At the start/early on did someone discuss with you what you wanted to do/work on when [the carers] came in?

- Did you get to say what type of things you wanted help with/what you wanted to work on?
- How did you feel about that (process)? Was it helpful/ not helpful?
 (depending on level of client involvement in goal setting)
- Views on goals set Were you happy with the things that you agreed with [the carers] that you needed to work on?

o Relationship with reablement practitioners

- How many [practitioners/carers] visited?
- How many times did they visit?
- What were the times of visits/ were they convenient?
- What helped most about the carers coming
- What did you enjoy the most?
- Did you find anything difficult?
- Were there things about the carers coming that you didn't like or didn't enjoy?

Duration and intensity of reablement intervention

- Feelings about relationships, duration and intensity
- Was the support that you got from the carers what you expected/needed/wanted
- What kinds of things did the carers do with you? Can you give me an example of the kinds of things the carers did at their visit?
- Did you think those things were helpful or not?

Types of things that the reablement intervention involved

Only at home or also outside the home – Were the things that you did with the carers mostly/only in the home or did you do anything outside the house?

Level of engagement in the reablement process

- How difficult or easy was it to work with [the carers] on the things you wanted help with
- As time went on did you feel able/capable of working with [the carers] on the things you needed help with; did you lose interest at all/ did it become more difficult or easier, why?
- Their spouse/partner/close family: did the help you had from [the carers] have any impact on them? Did it make things easier or more difficult. Was your spouse/ family member involved in any of the things you worked on with [your carers].
- Practitioner's: did you think [the carers] were interested in you? /in what you were doing/ in helping you?
- Did you feel that you had a favourite [worker/carer]? If so, why?
- Was there any [carers] that you had difficulties with?

Feelings about progress against their goals

- o Do you think having [the carers] made a difference?
- Looking back now, do you think [the carers] helped you with the right things? Was there more or maybe less things they could have helped with?
- o If so what type of things?
- What has made the most difference working on the things you want to/having carers visit every day/ the support?
- o Did anything make it more difficult?

Factors that help or hinder achieving goals

- Is there anything that you think made it easier or more difficult to work on the things you wanted to work on with [the carers]?
- o If you didn't work on things you wanted to, how do you feel about that?

End of the service

- Did you know/were you told [the carers] were stopping. How did happen?
 How did you feel about that?
- Did you feel ready for [the carers] to stop? If not why?
- Since [your carers] finished coming have you still been able to do [name the specific goals the client was working on]?
- Currently what makes it more difficult/easy to still do [name goals]?
- Finally, would you recommend [the service/having the carers in] to your friends or someone in your family? If yes, why?
- Could the service be changed/does it need to do things better? If so, what?

Prompt: carer interview?

Topic guide: interviews with family members

Interviews will explore issues surrounding:

- Reasons for client being admitted to the reablement service
- Understanding of the purpose of reablement
 - Helping them to do rather than having tasks done?
- Understanding the client's 'need' for reablement input
- Their experiences of the reablement process
 - Involvement in the process
 - Goal-setting, reablement practice
 - Relationship with reablement practitioners
 - Feel like part of the team supporting the client?
 - Duration and intensity of reablement intervention
 - Feelings about relationships, duration and intensity
 - Types of things that the reablement intervention involved
 - Only at home or also outside the home?
 - Level of engagement in the reablement process
 - Their own and other family member/carers
 - The client
 - Practitioner
- · Views on client's progress against set goals

Factors that helped or hindered clients being able to achieve their goals