

## Commissioners; semi-structured interview schedule

Ask interviewee to describe their current role and their involvement in the commissioning of dermatology services or vitiligo in particular.

**1. Can you tell me about the process of how clinical commissioning decisions are made in your CCG? It might be easiest to talk me through a recent example of when your CCG made a decision about a new treatment or service.**

- How do you decide which treatments or services reach the table for consideration in the first place?
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- Do you get any input from anyone from outside the commissioning team when commissioning decisions are made?
- Does your CCG use standardised commissioning guidance?

**2. What are your views as a commissioner on vitiligo?**

- To what extent are treatments for skin conditions prioritised compared to other conditions?
- How is vitiligo viewed relative to other skin conditions?
- Is vitiligo viewed as an autoimmune or a cosmetic / benign skin condition?
- Are you aware of any treatments for vitiligo? (*List of commonly used vitiligo treatments as prompts*)
- Are you aware of any local policy documents relevant to vitiligo?

**3. The Hi-Light trial is a three-arm randomised controlled trial comparing topical corticosteroids and hand-held, home light therapy for children and adults with vitiligo. If the trial results show that home-based light therapy and TCS are effective, what information would you need to help make your commissioning decisions?**

**4. What would we best do as a research group to make your CCG aware of this as a treatment to be considered for funding?**

- Do you have a preferred format for evidence to be presented to your CCG? For instance, a specific proforma or perhaps a video explaining the trial and the results? Is there anything specific which you would like to be included?
- What might prevent your CCG commissioning these treatments if the evidence for their effectiveness was strong?

**5. Can you think of anyone else involved in commissioning who might be able to help us with the study?**

