

Indigenous Teen Transition Study: Healthcare Provider Interview Guide

Thank you for agreeing to this interview on transition from pediatric to adult care among young adults with chronic health conditions. Our study focusses on Indigenous youth living with a chronic health condition. Your answers to these questions will be strictly confidential and not shared with your employer, or any other people outside of the research team.

This interview will be recorded, however names and any information that may identify participants will be deleted.

1. Tell me about your practice and experience with Indigenous youth who have a chronic health condition.
 - Probes: Acute care, outpatient or homecare? How would you describe the care or services you provide to your Indigenous young adult patients/clients living with chronic health conditions?
2. What are the health conditions of the patient/client population you work with?
3. What age range of Indigenous youth do you typically work with? In this study we're focusing on youth between the ages of 16 and 30.
4. When you are providing care to your Indigenous young adult patients/clients, who do you work with? The young adult or their parent/caregiver or both?
5. What are the challenges of providing care to the Indigenous young adult population you work with?
6. What are the successes you have had in providing care to the Indigenous young adult population that you work with? Tell me about how youth in your care transition to adult care?
 - Probes: is there a referral system in place to adult specialists, do you have a transition program, is it difficult to find adult healthcare providers to transfer your patients/clients to, do your patients/clients stay with you into adulthood
7. Do you help support your Indigenous young adult patients/clients through the transition from pediatric to adult health care? If so, please describe your role.
8. Have you come across any challenges specifically relating to the transition from pediatric to adult care, for the Indigenous young adult population you work with? If so, please describe.
9. Have you had any successes specifically relating to the transition from pediatric to adult care, for the Indigenous young adult population you work with? If so, please describe.
10. Do you feel the Indigenous young adults you work with are ready to enter the adult healthcare system? Why or why not?
11. Which supports do you feel would help reduce the challenges you have witnessed as it relates to transition for the Indigenous young adult population you work with?
12. How might the healthcare system improve the transition from pediatric to adult healthcare for the Indigenous young adults you work with?



13. How might the health professionals as a community facilitate the transition from pediatric to adult healthcare for the Indigenous young adults you work with?

14. Is there anything else that you may want to add to what we covered in this interview?

Thank you for your time –.