

## **Semi-structured Interview-Guide:**

### **1. What has been your experience with caring for women with FGM?**

- Probes: - When was the first time you cared for a woman with FGM?
- What can you remember from this experience?
  - Did you feel prepared?
  - If not, what would have been helpful?
  - Did you care change over time?
  - Which skills are required to care for a woman with FGM?

### **2. Was FGM included into your training?**

- Probes: - If yes, how was it thought?
- Did you learn about FGM with lectures or during your practical placements?
  - Where you equipped with all necessary skills to care for women with FGM?
  - Do you feel competent to care for women with FGM?

### **3. How do you feel about asking a woman about FGM?**

- Probes: - Do you feel confident to ask a woman about FGM during your first patient contact?
- Is there anything you need to ask the question?
  - Whom to, would you ask the question?
  - Is there anything you need from your environment?
  - Are there any exclusion criteria, why you would not ask the question?
  - Who would you handle the situation in case of a language barrier?

### **4. When a woman disclosed FGM to you, how would you proceed?**

- Probes: - Would you ask for help?
- Whom would you ask for help?
  - How would you classify the type of FGM?
  - Would you do an examination?
  - How would you document your findings?
  - Where would you document your findings?
  - Is there anything important to consider regarding the confidentiality of the woman?

### **5. Is there anything else you might need to discuss with the women?**

- Probes: - How would her further clinical care pathway look like?
- Are there legal requirements you would discuss?
  - If yes, what would they be?
  - Do you feel prepared for a situation like that?
  - Is there anything else you would need?

**6. If you reflect on your previous experience, how do you think experience women with FGM experience inside your service?**

- Probes: - What are the strengths of your service?
- Where do you see challenges with your service provision?
  - How would you describe the decision-making process with woman?
  - What do you think need women with FGM for a positive birth experience?

**7. Are there areas you would like to deepen your knowledge?**

- Probes: - How confident to you feel to classify the various FGM types?
- Did you receive training about the classification process?
  - If yes, how was the training arranged?
  - Could you practice the classification process in a skills lab?
  - Would skill training be an interesting training component for you?
  - In case of a future training activity, would you prefer monodisciplinary or interdisciplinary teaching?
  - Which training areas seem to be essential to you in order to become a confident practitioner?
  - In case of no financial restrictions, how would a perfect FGM training look to you?

**8. Would you feel confident to perform a deinfibulation?**

- Probes: - The deinfibulation falls into the responsibility of which profession?
- Please explain your statement.
  - Where do you see the benefits of working in an interdisciplinary team?
  - Are there also challenges involved?
  - Can you say something about the care philosophy from your profession regarding the care for women with FGM?

**9. Is there anything else you would like to share?**