

Additional File 1: Interview Guideline Palliative Care and Palliative Care education in Armenia

- 1. Could you please give me a brief summary of your professional development?**
- 2. Please could you describe your personal understanding of palliative care?**
- 3. Could you describe your experience of education in palliative care?**
- 4. Could you tell us about how you experience the quality of the education in palliative care? → Do you feel more prepared for the care of incurable and dying patients and their families after the education?**
- 5. How confident and able do you feel to**
 - deal with difficult questions
 - tell patients / families that they
 - cannot be cured / are dying?
- 6. How confident and able do you feel to provide Pain and Symptom Management in a palliative situation?**
- 7. How confident and able do you feel to diagnose dying?**

Is it common to tell the diagnosis or prognosis to the patient / the family?
- 8. Working in a Multidisciplinary Team → What does it exactly mean to you?**
- 9. Could you describe your attitudes towards death and dying?**
 - As a Health Care Professional
 - As an individual
- 10. Could you describe the personal support from the faculty you did receive?**
- 11. What is your idea of your role as a physician?**
- 12. What are your hopes regarding future palliative care in Yerevan or Armenia?**

Thank you very much for your time and for sharing your thoughts with me!