

InTSHA: Adolescent Interview Guide

These guides present the questions planned for each interview. Each interview is anticipated to last hour or less. The questions are written in standard formatting; instructions to the interviewer are italicized and/or bracketed. Exact wording may vary interview-by-interview to be appropriately responsive to the content of the answers, and some questions may be skipped if not relevant to the individual. However, no additional concepts will be pursued. The major concepts are as follows:

1. Clinic Experiences
2. Transition to Adult Care
3. Social Media Use
4. HIV Education
5. Modifiable Factors from SMART model

Participant ID #	Date
_____	___ / ___ / _____

READ: *Thank you for participating in this study. I am part of a team that is interested in adolescents with HIV. I will now ask you several questions about your experiences with HIV and taking medication. Please tell me whatever you are thinking. Do not worry about my reaction, and do not tell me what you think I want to hear. It is important we know what you really think. There are no right or wrong answers, and we will not tell anyone else what you say including your doctor or counselors. This should take about an hour. I will audio record our conversation*

First, I would like to ask you some questions about your experiences at the clinic.

Clinic experiences

Tell me about your experiences with the clinic?

When did you start attending?

Did you start in the pediatric clinic?

Probe: Tell me about your experiences there?

When did you transition to the adult clinic?

How was the transition?

What could have been done to make it easier?

What have your experiences been with the staff?

Probe: doctors, nurses, adherence counselors; other teen members?

What kind of support did you receive for taking your ARV drugs?

How do your peers offer support?

What do you like about clinic?

What would you change about clinic?

Tell me about your last visit to clinic, what happened:

Tell me what happened at the clinic from traveling to the clinic to leaving.

How do you remember your clinic appointments?

Transition:

Tell me about your relationship with the pediatric doctors?

How did/do you feel about transitioning to Adult Clinic?

Explain what it was like at the first visit to the adult clinic?

Probe: How did you feel?

Tell me about your relationship with the adult doctors?

How did you plan to transition to adult care?

Did you feel that you were ready to transition at the time?

[YES] Why?

[NO] Why not?

What do you feel are the benefits of transitioning to adult care?

What are the potential losses of transitioning to adult care?

How can the transition be made easier?

How can your parent / caregiver assist?

Explain how you think social media can assist with transition.

Social Media:

I would like to ask you some questions about your use of social media.

What type of phone do you use?

How do you access the internet?

How much time do you spend online?

How much do you pay for data per month?

When online what sites do you visit?

What apps do you use to communicate with friends?

Do you use Whats App? Mixit, Snapchat?

How do you protect your information online?

How do you protect your phone from being lost or stolen?

What about the information?

Sometimes people get made fun of or are bullied online. Can you tell me an instance where something like that happened to you?

How would you prevent this from happening?

Have you ever done that to another person or back to them?

HIV Education:

Tell me how you first learned about HIV.

How did you get more information?

When you have a question about HIV how do you find the answer?

Do you ever go online to look for answers?

If so what sites do you use?

How do you determine what is good information vs. bad information?

Self-efficacy:

How do you remember to take your medication each day?

Does anyone have to remind you?

Do you use your cell phone?

How do you remember your clinic appointments?

Do you use a calendar on your phone?

How do you get to the clinic?

Does anyone accompany you?

When you have questions about your health what do you do?

Goals:

What do you want to do with your life?

Education?

Career?

Family?

Social Support:

Who do you turn to when you need help?

Why do you turn to them specifically?

Do you communicate in person or by phone?

What way do you prefer to communicate?

In person, SMS, phone

Disclosure/Stigma:

How did you learn you are living with HIV? (How did you learn your HIV status?)

What did you do after finding out?

How did you feel, when were you officially told?

Did you know before you were told?

How old were you?

Who first told you?

Tell me about a time someone treated you differently because you are living with HIV.

Is there anything else you would like to tell me about your experiences?

Thank you for your participation.