## Simplified Appendix G for Group A

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Please note this is a simplified questionnaire and therefore some questions have been omitted.

I would like to ask you some questions about you, your general health and your dental health. Then I'd like to go on to some questions about using dental treatment services.

I won't write your name or address details on this form but I would like to record them separately. *Use appendix D2* 

Some questions may not be answerable for some volunteers in this group. In such cases use the 'not appropriate to ask' option

a. First I'd like to know about your living situation – do you live
with one or more members of your family
in a group home
alone – with or without support
some other situation?
b. Optional – Recorded level of learning disability of volunteer- according to

#### local or national classification

□ Mild

□ Moderate

□ Severe

Now some items that I can complete without asking you:

1 SEX OF VOLUNTEER

Male

Female

Not answered – by choice of volunteer

2 Is the interview about the volunteer being given:

- In person by the volunteer themselves
- Or by someone else on behalf of the volunteer *if this is the answer then there will be a need to change some wording of most questions to reflect that someone is answering on behalf of the volunteer*

Now could you tell me please -

Fair,

3	What was your age last birthday?	Use fl	ashcard A for volunteer if appropriate or carer
	18 – 24		
	25 - 34		
	35 – 44		
	45 – 54		
	55 – 64		
	65 or over		
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer		
Now	I am going to ask you some questions al	bout yo	ur health and lifestyle.
4	How is your health in general? Woul	d you s	say it was Use flashcard B for volunteer if
_		_	appropriate or carer
	Good,		Bad,
	Fair,		Not answered- by choice of volunteer
5	(And) would you say your dental hea flashcard B for volunteer if appropriate o		
	Good,		Bad,

Not answered – by choice of volunteer

I am now going to ask you some questions about your natural teeth, and your experiences of going to the dentist.

13	How many natural teeth have you got? Is itUse flashcard D for volunteer if appropriate
	or carer
(Inclu	ude wisdom teeth - adults usually have up to 32 teeth, including the 4 wisdom teeth.)
	None at all, (some later questions do not apply to those who are edentulous)
	At least 1 but less than 20,
	Or do you have 20 or more natural teeth?
	Have some natural teeth but don't know how many (SPONTANEOUS ONLY)
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
	Not possible to answer
14	Do you have (require) a denture, even if you don't wear it?
	Yes
	No
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer

Ask questions 16 – 26 if the volunteer has one or more natural teeth

The questions below ask about troubles that people may have in daily life because of problems teeth, mouth or dentures use flashcard E						
HOW OFTEN during the last year		Please tick ONE box that best describes your experience				
	Never	Hardly ever	Occasionally	Fairly often	Very often	Prefer not to answer / not appropriate to ask
16 have you had <b>painful aching</b> in your mouth?						
21 have you found it <b>uncomfortable to eat</b> <b>any foods</b> because of problems with your teeth, mouth or dentures?						
22 have you been <b>self conscious or</b> <b>embarrassed</b> because of problems with your teeth, mouth or dentures?						

24 How often do you clean your teeth nowadays? Use flashcard F for volunteer if

appropriate or carer (Question refers to brushing only)

	More than twice a day
	Twice a day
	Once a day
	Less than once a day
	Never
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
26	Do you use anything other than an ordinary (manual) toothbrush and toothpaste for
	dental hygiene purposes?
	Yes (include electronic toothbrush here)
	No
	I don't use a toothbrush and/or toothpaste (record this only if the volunteer says this spontaneously)
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
Ask a	Il volunteers
27	In general do you go to the dentist for
	A regular check up,
	An occasional check up,
	Or only when you're having trouble with your teeth/dentures?

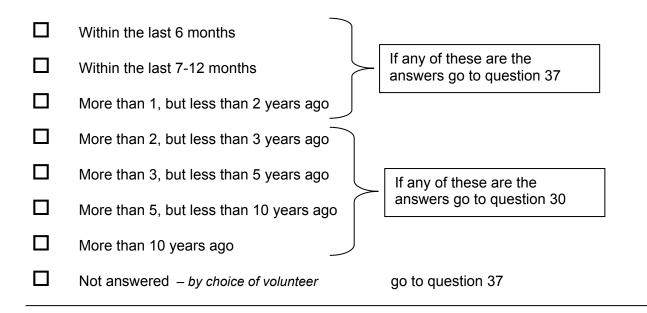
Never been to the dentist (SPONTANEOUS ONLY) If this is real answer go to ques 61

Not answered – by choice of volunteer

(check again if the answer is 'never been', as this code will exclude respondents from much of the rest of the interview. 'Are you sure? If not been since childhood, probe on 'occasional check' or 'only when trouble')

How often do you go to the dentist? Use flashcard G for volunteer if appropriate or carer
At least once every six months,
At least once every year,
At least once every two years,
Or less frequently than every two years?
Or only when having trouble with your teeth and/or dentures? (SPONTANEOUS ONLY)
Not answered - by choice of volunteer

**29** How long has it been since your last visit to a dentist? Use flashcard H for volunteer if appropriate or carer (Do not include visits to the hygienist)



Ask volunteers who have not attended in the last 2 years

### 30 What are the reasons why you have not been to the dentist in the last two years?

Wait for volunteer response first, prompt only for clarification

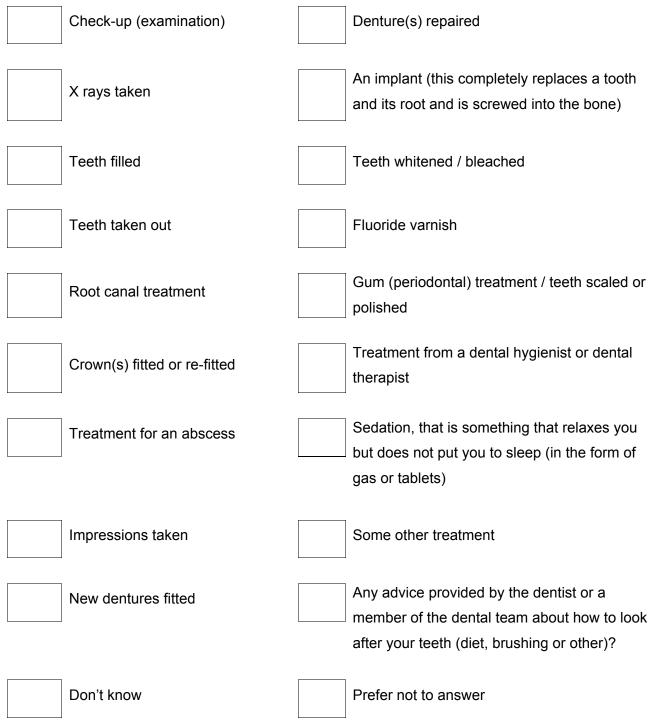
### TICK ALL THAT APPLY

- □ No need to go to the dentist / nothing wrong with my teeth
- □ I can't find an NHS dentist
- □ I can't afford the NHS charges
- □ I haven't got the time to go
- □ I am afraid of dentists / I don't like going to the dentists
- □ Keep forgetting / Haven't got round to it
- □ It's difficult to get to and from the dentist
- □ I've had a bad experience with a dentist
- Dentist changed to private / refused to do NHS work
- $\Box$  Other (please specify)
- □ Not answered by choice of volunteer

# 37 I would now like to ask you about what treatments you received during your last completed course of dental treatment.

In the visit(s) you made to the dentist, what did you have done? Did you have.... Use flashcard J for volunteer if appropriate or carer

Tick all that apply



I am now going to ask you some questions about how well you felt the dentist communicated with you at your <u>very last</u> visit.

43 Did the dentist talk with you about your teeth and your treatment in a way that you could understand?

If 'to some extent', code yes.

- Yes No Not answered – by choice of volunteer Not possible to answer 44 Did the dentist treat you with respect and dignity? If 'to some extent', code yes. Yes No Not answered – by choice of volunteer Not possible to answer 45 Did you have confidence and trust in the dentist? If 'to some extent', code yes. Yes No Not answered – by choice of volunteer
- Not possible to answer

# Ask all adults questions 52 - 60, except those who have never attended the dentist – go straight to question 61 for these

52	Have you ever been given advice from a dentist or a member of the dental team on cleaning your teeth and/or gums?
	Yes
	No
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
	Not possible to answer
54	Have you ever been given advice or help from a dentist or a member of the dental
	team about the food and drink you consume?
	Yes
	No
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
	Not possible to answer
55	Have you ever been given advice from a dentist or a member of the dental team about how frequently you should visit a dentist?
	Yes
	No
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
	Not possible to answer
60	If you went to your dentist tomorrow, how would you feel? Use flashcard L for volunteer
_	if appropriate or carer
	Not Anxious
	Fairly Anxious
	Extremely Anxious
	Not answered – by choice of volunteer
	Not possible to answer

#### Ask all adults – regardless of attendance or edentulousness

61 Which, if any, of the following have caused difficulties with eating, speaking, relaxing, being sociable or doing your normal jobs in the past year? Use flashcard M for volunteer if appropriate or carer

TICK ALL THAT APPLY

Toothache, sensitive tooth, tooth decay (hole in tooth) Loose tooth, bleeding gums, receding gums, tartar, bad breath, swollen gums (gum abscess) Bad position of teeth (e.g. crooked or projecting, gap), space between teeth, deformity of the mouth or face Broken or fractured tooth Missing tooth/teeth Colour, shape or size of teeth Loose or ill-fitting denture Or any other reasons? ( please specify) None of these Not answered - by choice of volunteer Not possible to answer

### Ethnicity

### All adults

62	То	which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong? Use flashcard N for
	VO	lunteer if appropriate or carer
	۷	Vhite – go to question 63
	Ν	lixed – go to question 64
	A	sian or Asian British – go to question 65
	E	Black or Black British – go to question 66
	C	Chinese
	C	Other ethnic group
	Ν	lot answered
	63	And to which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong? Use flashcard O
		for volunteer if appropriate or carer
		British
		Another White Background?
		Not answered
	64	And to which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong? Use flashcard P
		for volunteer if appropriate or carer
		White and Black Caribbean

- White and Asian or,
- Another Mixed background?
- Not answered

65 And to which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong? Use flashcard Q for volunteer if appropriate or carer Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi or, Another Asian background? Not answered 66 And to which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong? Use flashcard R for volunteer if appropriate or carer Caribbean African or Another Black background Not answered

Several questions deleted from here as not appropriate to ask

	Other com	ments			
	All adults				
72	We have asked you a lot about dental health and dentistry. Is there anything you				
	would like to say that we haven't asked you	u about?			
	Yes – record these below				
	No				
	Not appropriate to ask				
TIC	ALL THAT APPLY				
	No NHS dentist available		Dentist over-loaded		
	Dislike drift from NHS		Satisfied		
	Treatment should be free		Better than in past		
	Costs too much (no mention of NHS/free)		Frightened of dentist		
	Can't get appointment		Other details		
	Not answered				

### Thank you for completing the interview.

- 73 This questionnaire was .....
- Completed in its entirety
- Completed jointly by volunteer and carer
- Not completed as the volunteer withdrew consent or decided not to continue
- Not completed as the volunteer could not co-operate

This page should be printed and included as the last sheet of the questionnaire for reasons of volunteer confidentiality





