Supplementary Material

The advance care planning nurse facilitator: describing the role and identifying factors associated with successful implementation

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Initial Discussion Guide and follow up probing questions

1. Can you tell me first about your general experiences with Advance Care Planning (ACP)?
   - What role do you think ACP can play in a patient’s care

2. What was your understanding of the ACP trial that was carried out at your work?
   - What are your views of this trial
     - Additional prompts: impacts on patient/family outcome (describe one case in detail if possible), impacts on organisation

3. Can you talk about any barriers you encountered in participating in this ACP trial?
   - Additional prompts: patient factors, personal views, setting/contextual factors, organisational factors

4. How did you overcome, or attempt to overcome any of these barriers?

5. How could ACP delivery be improved in YOUR work context?
   - How did ACP for trial patients differ to that for non-trial patients?
   - Do you think ACP in your work setting has changed since the trial stopped?

Additional Discussion Prompts (added during later interviews)

6. Who do you think should be the primary driver for a patient to undertake ACP and why?
   - What do you see is the role of a patient’s GP in ACP?

7. Where do you think is the ideal setting for ACP to occur?
   - And when?

8. What qualities do you think a good ACP facilitator should have to be successful?
   - Areas we are interested in :
     - Experience and knowledge
     - Interpersonal skills
     - Reputation