

## **Supplementary Material**

### **Doctors identify regulatory barriers for their patients with type 2 diabetes to access the nutritional expertise of dietitians**

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**Box S1.** Interview questions.

### **Demographic Information**

1. Do you practice in a private practice or hospital?
2. Where is your practice located?
3. How many years have you been practicing for?
4. How many people with type 2 diabetes do you see on a typical week?

### **Views and experiences in regard to dietetic services for people with type 2 diabetes**

5. How important do you think diet is for a person with type 2 diabetes?
6. Who gives dietary advice to your patients?
7. Do you ever refer your patients with type 2 diabetes to a dietitian?
8. What do you think of the current number of Medicare-subsidised allied health sessions for people with type 2 diabetes?
9. Would you make any recommendations for the services for people with type 2 diabetes?
10. Is there anything else you would like to add?

Prompts were used when the interviewer needed to probe the reasons why e.g. doctors think diet is / is not important, why doctors prefer to refer to the dietitian or deliver the nutrition advice themselves, and why doctors think the number of sessions on the Chronic Disease Management plan is / is not sufficient.