## **Interview Guide Baseline**

Key question	Concrete supplementary questions
Please begin by telling me about the medical	- Have you ever been to a general practitioner/ cardiologist/ in a rehabilitation clinic before
history of your heart disease starting from the	because of your heart disease?
first symptoms until this hospital stay.	- How was your disease diagnosed?
	- Why are you currently in hospital?
Which positive and negative experiences have	- Can you think of any other positive or negative experience you have made with the hospital
you made, concerning the care you have	or office-based physicians?
received?	- Was there anything you were particularly satisfied with?
	- Was there anything you were unsatisfied with?
	- Have you experienced any problems with the further processing of the treatment?
	- How have you experienced talking with your physicians?
	- How was a decision reached about what treatment you were to receive?
How would you describe the quality of your	- How satisfied are you with your treatment?
treatment?	- Do you think that everyone in Germany is able to receive good treatment? Why do you think
	that is?
How do you manage your heart disease right	- What will happen next?
now?	- What medical care do you expect to receive in the next months?
	- What hopes do you have for your health in the future?
	- Is there something else you would like to tell me?

## Questions aimed at maintaining the conversational flow:

- Please tell me exactly how things went with...
- Could you perhaps give me a few more details?
- What happened next? / And after that?
- What else comes into your mind?
- What do you associate with ...?

## **Interview Guide Follow Up**

Key question	Concrete supplementary questions
Please begin by telling me how the treatment of your heart disease has progressed after our last conversation.	- Which doctors have you seen meanwhile, e.g. general practitioner (GP)/ cardiologist?
	- Have you been in a rehabilitation clinic or do you attend a heart training group?
	- What exactly has been done by each of the physicians (GP, cardiologist, hospital,
	rehabilitation)?
	- Which tasks of medical care have been taken care of by which doctor?
	- Who prescribes you heart drugs?
What positive and negative experiences have you made, concerning the treatment and care you have received?	- Can you think of any other experiences you have had with the GP/ cardiologist/ rehabilitation
	clinic?
	- Was there anything you were particularly satisfied or not satisfied with?
	- How does the cooperation between GP, specialists and the doctors at the hospital work?
	- Have you experienced any problems with the postoperative management and any further
	treatment after you have been discharged from hospital?
	- Have you had to actively arrange yourself to the further treatment?
	- Have you ever changed your GP or cardiologist and what have been the particular reasons?
Last time we talked about your expectations of	- Have your expectations changed during the course of treatment?
your medical care - to what extend were they	
fulfilled?	
What kind of influence does your heart disease	- What kind of heart disease/s do you have?
have on your everyday life?	- How far is your everyday life constrained by your heart disease, and which tasks can't be
	managed by yourself anymore?
	- Who assists you in coping with the disease?
	- What do you personally contribute to a better health?
What will happen next?	- What hopes do you have for your future health?
	- Is there something else you would like to tell me?

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- What else comes into your mind?
- What do you associate with ...?