TOPIC GUIDE

Carers

Evaluation of the impact of the Edinburgh Cognitive and Behavioural ALS Screen (ECAS) and neuropsychological intervention in Motor Neurone Disease (MND).

BACKGROUND

- Did you complete an interview with a health professional about changes you may have noticed in (insert name of patient)'s behaviour?
- If so, how long ago did you do this? Who interviewed you (which health professional)?

IMPACT OF ASSESSMENT (If they completed a behavioural interview)

- What was the experience like for you?

IMPACT OF NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL INTERVENTION

- Have you or (insert name of patient) had any contact with a neuropsychologist/psychologist?
    - If yes, what did they offer in terms of support/advice?
    - If yes, what was the most helpful aspect of this?
    - Were you satisfied with the support/advice?

- Did you or (insert name of patient) make any changes to your routine or daily life after contact with the neuropsychologist?
    - If yes, what were those changes?
    - How have those changes been beneficial to you?
    - Were there negative consequences of making these changes?

IMPACT ON OTHER ASPECTS OF CARE

- Have any other health professionals offered support/advice in relation to possible changes in (insert name of patient)'s thinking/behaviour?

    - What did they offer in terms of support/advice?
    - If yes, what was the most helpful aspect of this?
    - Were you satisfied with the support/advice?

- Did you or (insert name of patient) make any changes to your routine or daily life after support/advice from this/these health professional(s)?

    - If yes, what were those changes?
    - How have those changes been beneficial to you?
    - Were there negative consequences of making these changes?