Durham University Students’ Qualitative Interview Guide

Behavioural Science and Insights Unit (BSIU)

1. Very briefly, tell me a little bit about yourself.

*REQUIRED:* Gender? Undergrad or postgrad? Which college? Did you take part in the university testing programme?

*PROMPT:* What are you studying and which year are you in? What is your living situation – are you at home or university right now?

2. Tell me about any experiences you have of being tested at University.

*PROMPT:* How did you find out about lateral flow (rapid) testing?

*PROMPT:* Was it easy for you to get tested at University?

*PROMPT:* Was it pleasant/unpleasant?

**If NOT been tested, skip to question 4**

3. What motivated you to get tested at University?

*PROMPT:* Were you worried about contracting Covid-19 or passing it onto others?

*PROMPT:* Did you think it was likely/possible that you had Covid-19?

*PROMPT:* Were there any incentives to get tested (food, drink, prize)?

**If has been tested, skip to question 5**

4. If no experience, why not?

*PROMPT:* Did you know how you could get one/how to do it?

*PROMPT:* Did you want to get tested?
5. Tell me about any difficulties there were for you to get tested when you were at University.

**PROMPT:** Was it convenient? (location, booking slots/allocated slots etc)

**PROMPT:** Were you worried about the impact of a positive test? (financial, not wanting to isolate, impact on social life)

6. What did people around you think about testing?

**PROMPT:** What did your housemates think about testing? Did they get tested?

**PROMPT:** What did your family and friends think? Did they think you should get tested?

**If has NOT been tested, skip to questions 9 and 10**

7. What happened after you received the test result?

**PROMPT:** How did you feel? What did you do?

**PROMPT:** Did you trust the result?

**PROMPT:** Did you think differently about the possibility of infecting others?

8. How did the test result influence your behaviour, if at all?

**PROMPT:** i.e. social distancing, hand washing, socialising, meeting others etc.

**If has been tested, skip to question 11**

9. If you had been tested, how do you think you would have reacted?

**PROMPT:** Would you have trusted the result?

**PROMPT:** Would you have thought differently about the possibility of infecting others?
10. To what extent would the test result have influenced your behaviour, if at all?

*PROMPT:* *i.e. social distancing, hand washing, socialising, meeting others etc.*

11. How important do you think it is to get tested?

*PROMPT:* For you personally, and for the wider population.

*PROMPT:* What do you think the impact will be of getting tested? (Transmission, infection rates, mental health and wellbeing, financial implications etc.)

*PROMPT:* Do you think it is effective to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on yourself, and on others?

*PROMPT:* Have your views on this changed at any point, for example depending on whether you are at university or home?

12. How likely are you to get tested in future?

*PROMPT:* Is it something that you would want to do?

13. If you did want to get tested, what would make it easier to do so in the future?

*PROMPT:* (location, others getting tested, time, reminders?)

14. Is there anything else you would like to add?

*PROMPT:* Anything about testing that I haven't asked you about?