Initial broad thematic categories (nodes) that formed the code manual

1. Information provision to stroke survivors

2. Communication between Health & Social services

3. Support for psychological difficulties

4. Support for physical disabilities

5. Support for cognitive difficulties

6. Communication between Hospital & Community teams

7. Communication between Primary & Secondary care

8. Nursing Care

9. Dealing with co-morbidities

10. Social services support in the community

11. Medication Adherence

12. Medication Review

13. Financial Support

14. Discharge Process

15. Community Stroke Team Support (CST)

16. Hospital stay

17. Rehabilitation in the Hospital

18. Rehabilitation in the Community