ADDITIONAL FILE 2

Coding frame: Attenders' circumstances, motivations and outcomes

THEMES	CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN STARTING TO THINK ABOUT DAY CENTRE ATTENDANCE	PRIMARY MOTIVATIONS FOR DAY CENTRE ATTENDANCE	OUTCOMES (*unique contribution)
ACTIVITY-RELATED	Closure of other DC or club / other DC criteria changed Had to stop volunteering Retirement Something to do Somewhere to go To keep mind alive	Something helpful to do after retirement To keep mind alive Wanting to do activities/something	Activities keep mind occupied/stimulated DC attendance keeps your time occupied Different to what would be doing at home Doing something vs nothing at home Done things wouldn't have done otherwise (e.g. craft, trips out*) Given something to do/think about -an interest-conversation material Specific activities (went there for)
CARER-RELATED	Carer needed a break Isolated as a spousal carer Attended with husband who cared for (unclear why)	Attended with husband who cared for (unclear why)	
CHANGE OF ENVIRONMENT/ GETTING OUT OF HOUSE	Not getting out enough Stuck at home	Want to get out / a change of environment	Access to a garden Gets out of house/4 walls (prison/boring) Nowhere else to go-only way to get out-gives chance to go out* Place to go without difficulties of trips out*
LOSS OF MOBILITY (independence)- physical health	Couldn't get out without help-transport Decline in physical health – sudden General decline in physical health Loss of car-stopped driving (independence)		
FOR MEALS		For meals	Having a meal
MENTAL WELLBEING/HEALTH	Anxiety disorder Depression - felt low/down Felt lonely Lacked confidence	To address diagnosed mental illness	Boredom-monotony broken-change-break Changed-enriched life-opened up new life* Enjoyment-fun-laughter* Feel more stimulated mentally Feels energised - motivated

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		Gained perspective of own situation Lifeline-lifesaver Other - own attitude matters Feeling part of a group-belonging* Sense of independence & control* Sense of purpose - feeling useful to othersmaking a contribution-active role to playopportunity to do so* Sense of purpose/structure within own life Feelings of freedom* Nothing added to life	
		Feeling better*	Less lonely* Less depressed-sad/makes feel happy* More confident & relaxed* Helped to keep sanity*
PHYSICAL HEALTH/ WELLBEING/SAFETY	Exercise Exercise - referred to drop-in GROUP rehab exercise (health)	Do more exercise Health monitoring (& outlet for problems) Safe place-feeling safer	
PRACTICAL SUPPORT, INFORMATION & OTHER SERVICES		What accessed	Other services used (DC provider) Personal alarm system Services of another provider Taxi vouchers-card
ACCESSED		Within DC	Chiropodist Clothes District nurse now treats at DC Hairdresser Hearing aid maintenance- batteries Help with appointments (staff- vols) Information & useful talks Massage Nails filed & painted (staff-vols) Staff-vols helped access something
		Made a difference	More aware of certain things More money

				Safer - peace of mind	
				Saved money	
				Saved trips elsewhere	
				Did not say whether made a	
				difference	
OCIAL	Alone (not bereaved)	Needed-wanted to socialise-see people	Companio	Companionship*	
NTERACTION /	Bereavement (spouse-partner)-was on own	Contact with peers	Company	Company makes a change	
COMPANIONSHIP	Insufficient contact with peers		Eating in c	Eating in company	
	Insufficient contact with people – socialising Loss of existing social networks (non-group) Loss of outside activities - stopped		Friends - n	Friends - made new ones	
			Friends - r	Friends - reconnected with old ones	
			Laugh & fu	Laugh & fun & joke*	
			Conversat	Conversation material	
	attending other group/club		Proper cor	nversation about things that really	
	Attender naturally sociable/joiner		matter*		
			Contact	Own age group*	
			with	People generally	
			people	Arguing	
				Chatting	
				Hearing people	
				Seeing people	
				People who are also lonely-	
				similar circumstances	
				A range of different people	