Interview Topic Guide

- Brief introduction and thank you for your time
- Introduce self
- Highlight specific points from the information sheet:
 - study details/aims
 - o confidentiality and procedure
- Explanations of the use of study data
- Consent to audio-record
- Collect written consent

Areas to explore with the alliance leadership team (ALT) members and service leads

1) Your role?

Prompts:

- o What is your current role?
- o How long have you been working in your current role?
- Your role in primary and community care strategy (PCCS) implementation?
- Can you tell me how did you become involved with the PCCS?
- o Is there a specific initiative (e.g. individual workstreams) that you are involved with?

2) Understanding of PCSS

Prompts:

- o What do PCCS initiatives mean to you?
- o What were your expectations of the PCCS initiatives?

3) Governance structure and decision making

- What has been your experience of working in/with ALT?
- How are the two organisations—SDHB and WellSouth PHO—working jointly for PCCS implementation?
- o What is the structure of communication and decision making?
- o How well has the vision and goal of PCCS been communicated to frontline staff?
- Overall, what is working well, and what is not?

4) Implementation of PCCS

What are the key areas of focus of PCCS at the governance level? Prompts:

- How are the supporting activities (enabling structure) implemented to help the implementation of individual workstreams/care models?
- How is ALT supporting the implementation of individual workstreams/care models?
- How satisfied are you with the PCCS implementation process? Please describe.
- What are the good and less good things about the PCCS roll-out process?
- How confident you are that the vision of the PCCS will be realised?
- O How are the individual workstreams related?
- What are the impacts of Covid-19 on the implementation of the strategy?
- Overall, what is working well, and what is not?

5) Equity

- What has been done for Māori and other high need groups as part of the strategy implementation?
- How is the governance/ALT team monitoring progress towards equity in PCCS goals and outcomes?
- 6) What do you see as the benefit of the PCSS intervention? Please explain.

 Prompts:
- Could you tell me how you think the PCCS has made a difference in coordination and integration?
- What roles did PCCS play in improving patient experience and equity in outcomes?
 How?
- To what extent do you think the above changes are the result of actions taken through the strategy?

7) Next step

- Overall, what do you think of the PCCS?
- What should future PCCS initiatives do differently?
- o How could the implementation aspects be improved?

Conclusion

Is there anything more you would like to add? Thank you so much for your participation in the interview. Your opinions are very valuable to the study.