

Group Activity Semi-Structured Interview Guide

- 1) What kind of activity do you think people with dementia would like to do in a group?
- 2) Should group members be taught how to communicate with to one another?
 - a. *Prompts: How important is this? What makes it important?*
- 3) The discussion could be focused on a pre-determined topic of interest to the participants [e.g. movie discussion, bible discussion, role of the retiree]. Do you think a focused topic would be better than informal socializing?
 - a. *Prompt: What makes it better?*
- 4) Do think 1.5 hours / once per week / for 6 weeks is the right amount of time for group activity? Why?
 - a. *Prompt: If not, what do you think would be a better amount of time?*
- 5) Should all group members be people with dementia?
 - a. *Prompts: Should family or friends be invited? Why or why not?*
- 6) Do you think family or friends would be willing come to this activity with people with dementia?
 - a. *Prompt: What might stop them from participating in Group Activity?*
- 7) Do you think health care providers would be willing to hold a Group Activity with people with dementia?
 - a. *Prompts: What type of health care providers would be willing to hold a Group Activity with people with dementia? What might stop them from holding a Group Activity?*
- 8) Is there anything else that you like about Group Activity as a way to decrease loneliness that you want to talk about? Are there any other problems with it?