Health perception, beliefs and practices at the time of delivery and in the neonatal period in rural Cambodia

Semi Structured Interview Topic Guide

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Has Consent Been Signed?

Introduction

⇒ General purpose of the study
⇒ Aims of the interview and expected duration
⇒ Who is involved in the process (other participants)
⇒ Why the participant’s cooperation is important
⇒ Check position of the tape recorder
⇒ What will happen with the collected information and how the participant/target group will benefit
⇒ Any questions?

Complete the CRF

Domain | Topic and Probes
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Delivery

1. Do you know of any problems that can happen to a woman during delivery?
2. Can any of these problems affect the baby?
3. Why do you think some women and babies get problems during delivery?
4. Some babies are born and do not breath. Why do you think this happens?
5. What is the role of the father during delivery?
6. Do any other family members have important roles during delivery?
7. Why does a baby have an umbilical cord?
8. When a baby is born at home what is used to cut the umbilical cord?

Prompts:

Would you be worried if the mother in labour and childbirth had:
- Fever
- Waters broken but no labour pains
- Bleeding from the vagina before delivery
- Bleeding from the vagina after delivery
- Had more than one day of labour pains
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| **Newborn**          | 1. Are there any special things that must be done after a baby is born and who does them?  
|                      | 2. When does a child get their name?                                                
|                      | 3. Who chooses the child’s name?                                                    |
| **Neonatal illness** | 1. How do you know a newborn baby is healthy?                                       
|                      | 2. When should breast feeding start and why?                                         
|                      | 3. Are there any signs that a baby is ill? (each answer will be examined by asking why each happens) |
|                      | 4. Who can tell if a baby is sick?                                                   |
|                      | Prompts:                                                                          |
|                      | Would you be worried about a baby who had:                                         |
|                      | Fever                                                                             |
|                      | Breathing fast                                                                    |
|                      | Poor sucking                                                                      |
|                      | Yellow skin                                                                       |
|                      | Abnormal movements                                                                |
| **Health care seeking** | 1. Whose responsibility is it to decide whether to take a sick baby for help?     |
|                      | 2. How is the decision made to take a baby for help?                               |
|                      | 3. Who pays for treatment?                                                         |
|                      | 4. When would a mother seek help for her baby?                                     |
|                      | 5. Where would they go first?                                                       |
|                      | 6. How would they get there?                                                        |
|                      | 7. Some babies die in the first one month of life can you explain why?             |
| **Ethics**           | 1. Should all sick babies be referred to hospital?                                 |
|                      | 2. Who should decide whether a sick baby gets sent to hospital?                    |
|                      | 3. What should happen if a parent refuses to take a baby to hospital?             |
|                      | 4. What do you understand by the term “human rights”?                              |
|                      | 5. Does a baby have the same “human rights” as an older child/adult?               |
|                      | 6. When does life begin?                                                            |

**Closing**

⇒ Is there anything else you think is important in diagnosing malaria that we have not talked about?

⇒ Summarise

⇒ Thank the participant

⇒ Provide extra information and contacts to participants