

ESRC violence & work study

In-depth interview guide for out of school adolescents who have not attended skills training.

Thank you for agreeing to talk with me today. Before we begin, I'd just like to remind you that everything you tell me will be kept confidential, unless you tell me something that makes me feel you are at risk of harm. You do not have to answer any questions you don't want to. Just let me know if you would like to skip anything at any time.

1.0 Back ground information (ask the participants about):

Age

Place of residence

If both parents are alive

2.0 Untrained young people's journeys

2.1 Tell be about your education (probe for, level completed; current schooling status; if dropped out, the reasons etc)

2.2 What are you currently doing etc.

2.3 I'd like to start by asking you to think about the time when you left school, and describe to me your experiences since this time in terms of the study opportunities, jobs etc. so I can understand your journey to this time

2.3.1 *Probe for detail on opportunities/facilitators described, challenges faced – in terms of both experiences and individuals e.g. parents*

2.3.2 *If respondent talks about experiences of violence, probe for how they feel this impacted their journey, what support they received and from where, how the violence impacted their work outcomes and aspirations*

2.3.3 *Probe for whether they have been offered vocational training, either informal or formal. If so, why did they choose not to take it up? If not, why do they believe they haven't been given that opportunity.*

3.0 Transitioning into work (for those that have never trained)

3.1 Since you stopped schooling, what have you been doing in terms of work?

3.2 What are the things that have helped you most in transitioning into work?

3.3 What have been the biggest obstacles in the transition?

3.4 What kind of employment are you involved in now? *Probe for: self-employment, informal employment, precarious employment, forced labour e.t.c.*

3.5 Is this employment paid? Unpaid?

3.6 Can you tell me your feelings about your current job? Do you feel content? If not, what work would you rather be doing? Why? What are the things you would change about your current work? Why?

3.7 For those that do not work; can you tell us about the reasons you are not in employment? Do you feel content? If not, what work would you rather be doing? Why?

4.0 'Decent' work

- 4.1 What would you describe as good work?
- 4.2 What in your opinion makes work good? What makes it bad? What makes it attractive?
- 4.3 Why is it important for young people to engage in decent work?
- 4.4 What do you think are the biggest challenges for young people in getting their jobs?
- 4.5 What do you think are the biggest challenges for young people in keeping their jobs?
- 4.6 In what ways can young people be better supported to find decent work?

Thank you for your time