Supplementary Appendix 1

Focus Group Topic Guide

- Can you describe what wearable technology is?
 - Prompts:
 - Do you know what can they be used for?
 - Can you give any examples of devices you know of/have used?
- Has wearable technology been used here? If so can you describe its use?
- Could you see any potential barriers to using this kind of technology on the wards? *Prompts:*
 - Safety (e.g. self-harm, weapon), security, and privacy?
 - Data connectivity issues (e.g. transferring the data from device to computer server)?
 - Time/practicality (e.g. training in device use, analysing the data)?
 - Fitting into current routines/work practices
 - Health-related barriers
 - Perceived usefulness of this technology
- Previous researchers have suggested wearables could be used to monitor physical 'warning-signs' of aggression (e.g. heart rate, electrodermal activity). What are your thoughts on this?
 Prompts:
 - Would this information be useful in your day-to-day work?
 - Would you have any concerns about doing this (e.g. privacy)?
 - Do you think service users would have concerns about doing this?
- Is there anything else you think wearables could be used for within your service? *Prompts:*
 - Do you think they could have any role at all? If not, why?