# **National DPP Site-Level Rapid Evaluation – Semi-Structured Interview Guide, Lifestyle Coach**

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| Interviewee Name: |  | | |
| Interviewee Position/Title: |  | | |
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| **Introduction**  *Thank you for taking the time to participate in this interview. My name is [Insert name] and I am with the [Deloitte National Evaluation Team* or *the DDT PIE Team]. Our team is working with CDC’s Division of Diabetes Translation to evaluate the 1815 Cooperative Agreement. As part of that larger evaluation, we are seeking to learn more about the implementation of CDC-recognized lifestyle change programs at the site-level and understand how the state health departments are contributing to your efforts.*  *The interview is expected to take no longer than 60 minutes. Your participation in this interview is completely voluntary. You may choose to skip any questions or stop the interview at any time and it will not in any way impact the funding or technical assistance you receive from the state health department and/or CDC. Your answers will be kept strictly confidential and will never be associated with your name.*  *If at any time during the interview you are not clear about what we’re asking, be sure to let me know. We appreciate your candid response.*  *With your permission, we would like to record this interview for transcription purposes.*  ***Do we have your permission to record?***  Yes  No  ***Do you have any questions or concerns before we start the interview?***  ***Note:*** *Public reporting burden of this collection of information is estimated to average 60 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to CDC/ATSDR Reports Clearance Officer; 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS D-74, Atlanta, Georgia 30333; ATTN: PRA (0920-19BHC)* |

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| Background | |
| 1. Describe your role within this CDC-recognizedlifestyle change program (LCP)?   Probes:   * 1. How long have you been in this role?   2. How long have you been working with this program?   3. Did you previously have a different role? If yes, what was the previous role?   4. Have you worked in any other CDC-recognized Lifestyle Change Program/ Diabetes Prevention Program? If yes, how long? |  |
| Overview of the National Diabetes Prevention Program (National DPP) LCP | |
| 1. Does your program have any specific population groups of focus?   Probes:   * 1. How/why were these populations selected for prioritization?   2. Was this informed by members of the populations?   3. Was there specific stakeholder feedback that supported the decision to focus on these populations? |  |
| *[ASK ONLY IF THE SITE IS NOT STANDALONE]*   1. This CDC-recognized Lifestyle Change Program is located in [*pre-fill organization name*]. In your opinion, how supportive is the organizational leadership of this program?   Probes:   * 1. What, if any, type of support do you get from [*pre-fill organization name*] organizational leadership?      1. What kinds of material, personnel, logistical, and/or financial support do you receive from the organization?      2. If leadership is not supportive, what do you think is the cause of this lack of support? What challenges have you encountered because of this lack of support? |  |
| 1. In general, how well known would you say this LCP is among health care professionals (e.g. physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dietitians, social workers, community health workers)?   Probes:   * 1. What do you think is the perception among health care professionals about the program? (e.g. Are they supportive? Aware of the details?) |  |
| 1. Could you describe the relationship your program has with the state health department (SHD)?   Probes:   * 1. What kinds of material, personnel, and/or logistical support do you receive from the state health department? Is this support ongoing?   2. What kinds of financial support have you received from the state health department? Is this support ongoing? |  |
| 1. What, if any, types of non-SHD sources of support does the program have in place – either financial or technical assistance? |  |
| 1. What additional services, if any, does the program offer on site that may be relevant for people with prediabetes – (e. g. gym, yoga, nutrition classes, etc…) |  |
| 1. To what extent, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic affected the overall program? |  |
| LCP Team Composition | |
| 1. What types of training did you personally receive prior to becoming a lifestyle coach?   Probes:   * 1. When did you take this training?   2. Where did you take this training?   3. Have you received any follow up training? When was the last time you received follow up training?   4. Did you complete advanced lifestyle coach training? |  |
| 1. What training or other support do you feel would be helpful for delivering the program? |  |
| 1. To what extent, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic affected team composition? |  |
| Access | |
| What are the program hours of operation? Probes:   * 1. Were these hours informed by the population that you serve?   2. If yes, what are some of the additions or changes made to the schedule? What are some of the reasons that hours were modified? |  |
| Does your program have any affiliate sites? If so, how many, and where are they located? |  |
| To what extent, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic affected access to programs? |  |
| LCP Program Processes | |
| **Prediabetes Screening, Testing, and Referral**   1. Does your program conduct any prediabetes screenings (e.g. at community health fairs, community centers)?   *[If respondent does not know, SKIP TO Q18]*  Probes:   1. Please tell me about some key screening efforts you’ve been engaged in. |  |
| 1. 15. Where does the program typically conduct prediabetes screenings?   Probes:   * 1. How do you determine where to conduct screenings?   2. Do you have a specific population group or area you focus on? |  |
| 1. How does the program encourage individuals to get screened or tested for prediabetes?    1. How do you market/promote prediabetes screening efforts? |  |
| 1. What are the barriers to conducting prediabetes screening? |  |
| 1. What factors facilitate/support prediabetes screenings? |  |
| 1. What support has your program received from the SHD specifically to strengthen/expand prediabetes screening efforts? |  |
| 1. Has your program established any referral partnerships or agreements with health care organizations?   *[If respondent does not know, SKIP TO Q25]*  Probes:  *IF NO:*   * 1. If no, does your program have any other strategies in place to increase provider referral to your program? Please tell me about these strategies…   *IF YES:*   * 1. Please tell me a bit about how your program was able to establish these partnerships?   2. Did the SHD play a role in establishing these partnerships? Please describe how the SHD supported this.   3. About how long has the program had these types of partnerships in place?   4. What challenges, if any, did the program encounter in setting up referral partnerships?   5. What factors have helped/facilitated referral partnerships? |  |
| 1. What are the most common sources of referral to your program? |  |
| 1. What are the most common barriers to referral? |  |
| 1. What factors facilitate referral to your program? |  |
| 1. What type(s) of support has your program received from the SHD to strengthen/expand referral efforts (e.g. materials, funding)? |  |
| 1. In your opinion, how well are these referral partnerships working?   Probes:   * 1. Have you seen an increase in the number of people coming to your program since establishing these referral partnerships?   2. Do the people referred to your program typically meet the program eligibility criteria?   3. Do you have a way to track referrals to your program? |  |
| 1. In your experience, what types of efforts have been most successful in directing participants to your LCP (e.g. referrals, community-based prediabetes screening, etc)? Why do you think that is?   Probes:   1. Are specific strategies tailored to reach specific population groups? Which ones? Why do you think that is? Have these strategies been successful? |  |
| 1. To what extent, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic affected screening, testing, and/or referral efforts? |  |
| **Enrollment and Retention**   1. What would you say are the main reasons that some eligible participants *do not enroll* in your program?   Probes:   * 1. What have you found to be helpful in increasing enrollment rates?   2. Are there different approaches used to enroll individuals from different population groups? |  |
| 1. What would you say are the main reasons why some enrolled participants *do not complete* the program?   Probes:   * 1. What have you found to be helpful in increasing completion rates?   2. Are there different approaches used to support individuals from different population groups in completing the program? |  |
| 1. Has the program received any support from the SHD to support enrollment and retention efforts?   Probes:   * 1. How has this support from the SHD affected enrollment and retention rates?   2. Does the program offer any incentives for participation?   3. If yes, what types of incentives are offered? Are there some incentives that work better than others for individuals from different population groups?   4. Has the program received incentive support from the state health department? |  |
| 1. To what extent, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic affected enrollment and/or retention efforts? |  |
| External Factors/Outer Setting | |
| 1. What other factors outside of your program or organization have impacted your program’s recruitment, referral, participation, or delivery efforts?   Probes:   * 1. For example - any state or local level policies? National DPP health benefit coverage, etc.? |  |
| 1. From your perspective, what support does the program need to expand its reach, particularly among high-burden populations/communities? |  |
| Outcomes | |
| 1. In your opinion, what has been the biggest benefit your program has seen as a result of the SHD’s support to your program? |  |
| 1. Are there any additional areas of support needed from the state health department? |  |
| 1. In your opinion, what is the biggest benefit program participants gain from the program? |  |
| 1. To what extent, if any, has the COVID-19 pandemic affected outcomes? |  |
| Wrap up | |
| 1. Those were all the questions I have for you. Is there anything else you’d like to add that we haven’t had a chance to discuss? |  |
| Close ***Thank you so much for your time. This concludes our interview. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Nicolle Dally,*** [***ndally@deloitte.com***](mailto:ndally@deloitte.com)**.** | |