Supplemental Appendix. Semi-structured Interview Guide

A. For patients, family members, and suicide prevention advocates

1. “Please tell us about the specific needs or challenges that that you/your family member has due to dealing with suicide thoughts, attempted suicide, or suicide.” (Probe for specific views regarding needs for special types of care or intervention, communication with primary care providers about care needs)

2. “What sorts of indicators would you suggest a primary care provider might look for or pay attention to in identifying patients with the kinds of needs or challenges that you have described?” (Probe for specific experience where patient felt needs were addressed and ask for elements of the situation that caused them to feel that way)

3. Provide a description and some examples of the planned Men and Providers Preventing Suicide (MAPS) intervention (including review of selected screen shots from prior depression activation program). Following the intervention description and examples, discuss the intervention, including assessment of initial thoughts. “What are your initial thoughts about this intervention? How do you think that this approach might work for patients you see/in your clinic?”

   Follow up with these questions, probing for details and examples where appropriate:

   “Please tell me about whether or not you might see this intervention being useful to you, if you were to see it in your primary care provider’s office.”

   “Can you comment on the particular strengths of the proposed intervention, things that you really like about it?”

   “Is there anything about the intervention that causes you concern?”

   “Are there aspects of the intervention that you believe might need to be more specifically targeted to you/your family member?”

4. “Is there anything else you would like to add to our discussion?”

   Thank participant for their time, end interview.
B. For primary care clinicians, other primary care office staff, and health system administrative leaders

1. “Please tell us about your experiences with patients who have suicide thoughts, have attempted suicide, or have died by suicide.” (Probe for views regarding specific care, demands, and/or scheduling of such patients)

2. “What kinds of tools do clinicians have to care for patients with suicide thoughts; what are the typical avenues you use to address the needs/challenges of such patients?”

   Follow up with these questions, probing for details and examples where appropriate:

   “What are some of the challenges you have encountered for which you have developed some innovative solutions?”

   “What are some of the challenges you have encountered for which you might be receptive to some innovative solutions?”

3. Provide a description and some examples of the planned MAPS intervention (including review of selected screen shots from prior depression activation program). Following the intervention description and examples, discuss the intervention, including assessment of initial thoughts. “What are your initial thoughts about this intervention? How do you think that this approach might work for patients you see/in your clinic?”

   Follow up with these questions, probing for details and examples where appropriate:

   “Let’s discuss some of the issues you describe with the patients you treat. Can you comment on the particular strengths of the proposed intervention?”

   “Is there anything about the intervention that causes you concern?”

   “Are there aspects of the intervention that you believe might need to be more specifically targeted to your practice setting, or specific types of patients you see?”

   “Can you please comment on the work flow and feasibility of the proposed intervention in the setting where you work?”

4. “Is there anything else you would like to add to our discussion?”

   Thank participant for their time, end interview.