

Appendix 1

The interview questions were grouped in five categories, with questions aligned to each category.

Category	Associated questions
<i>Diagnosis</i>	1. Can you tell me what it was like when you found out your child was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1DM)? 2. Can you describe to me the things that worried/concerned you the most?
<i>Family, community and cultural response</i>	3. What support did you receive from your extended family? 4. Can you tell me how your religion plays a part in the management of your child's diabetes? 5. Can you describe the impact your culture has on managing your child's T1DM?
<i>Education and support from your healthcare team</i>	6. What support did you feel you received from Sheikh Khalifa Medical City, SEHA? 7. What do you feel helped you the most? 8. How do you feel we could improve our service to mothers with children newly diagnosed with T1DM?
<i>Day-to-day management issues</i>	9. Can you describe a typical day? 10. What helps you to cope? 11. If your child is at nursery or school, how do you manage this?
<i>Impact on parenting other children and home relationships</i>	12. Can you explain to me the impact having a child with T1DM has on your family, other children and your parenting style?