SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

Date -----------------------------------
Amount of interviews -----------------------------------
Duration of interview(s) -----------------------------------
Prison / Institution -----------------------------------

BIOGRAPHIC DETAILS

Name
Age
Ethnic group
Marital status
Dependants / children
Health issues
Accommodation (type, neighbourhood, renting, owner of property)
Socio-economic status
Religion
Political orientation
Sexual orientation

FAMILY BACKGROUND

Father
Name
Age
Highest qualification
Occupation
Employment / unemployment history
Criminal record
Substance abuse
Alive / deceased

Mother
Name
Age
Highest qualification
Occupation
Employment / unemployment history
Criminal record
Substance abuse
Alive / deceased

Type of marriage (legal or customary)
Marital relationship (spousal abuse, conflict, divorce, separated, death)

**siblings**
Sibling outlay: Brothers, sisters, stepbrothers and stepsisters
Age of siblings
Highest qualifications
Type of relationship between offender and sibling(s)
Criminal record
Substance abuse

**marital and intimate relationships**
Name of partner
Age
Ethnic group
Highest qualification
Occupation
Employment record
Criminal history
Substance abuse
Spousal abuse
Conflict and marital discord
Communication problems
Custody of children
Relationship with children
EDUCATION AND SCHOOL EXPERIENCES

Highest qualification
Completed courses
Diplomas
Degrees
Reading, writing and numeracy skills

Primary school
Hobbies
Participation in sport
Sport achievements
Academic achievement
Leadership positions
Relationship with peers
Relationship with teachers
Truancy
Criminal and/or antisocial involvement
Antisocial / criminal peers
Cult involvement
Substance abuse
School failure
Learning problems
Attendance of a special school
Expelled from school

Secondary school
Hobbies
Participation in sport
Sport achievements
Academic achievement
Leadership positions
Relationship with peers
Relationship with teachers
Truancy
Criminal and/or antisocial involvement
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DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY
Childhood abuse (emotional, physical, sexual, neglect)
Attachment to parents
Parent-child relationships
Child-rearing practices (type of care)
Foster care
Discipline style
Parental supervision
Childhood exposure to violence and aggressive behaviour
Cruelty to animals

EMPLOYMENT
Employment history / record
Type and/or area of employment
Relationship with fellow workers
Relationship with manager and/or people in authority
Performance problems
Absence from work and reasons for this
Termination of service and reasons for this
Unemployment history

CRIMINAL HISTORY
Present conviction
Length of sentence
Admission date
Prior convictions
Age at first conviction
Types of crimes committed
Prior arrests that resulted in non-conviction
Time between arrests
Motive(s)
Modus operandi
Causes
Triggers
Parole and/or probation violations
Escape and/or attempted escape
Disciplinary hearings (while incarcerated)
History of antisocial or deviant sexual behaviour
Sexual preferences
Sexual preoccupations
Deviant sexual arousal patterns
Paraphilias
Sexual and/or violent fantasies
Sadistic tendencies
High-risk situations

OFFENCE ANALYSIS
Planning of offence
Grooming of victims
Nature of crime committed
Use of force, coercion and brutality
Use of a weapon
Influence of substances
Type of harm caused to the victim
Motive(s)
Modus operandi
Causes
Triggers
VICTIM CHARACTERISTICS
Gender of victim(s)
Age of victim(s)
Number of victims
Relationship to victim(s)

SUPPORT STRUCTURE
Contact with parents
Contact with siblings
Contact with wife and/or partner
Contact with children
Contact with law-abiding friends
Contact with other family members

FINANCIAL
Problems
Source of income

COMPANIONS / ASSOCIATIONS
Social isolation
Number of friends
Cult involvement
Gang involvement
Criminal friends
Law-abiding friends

SUBSTANCE ABUSE
Current alcohol addiction
Prior alcohol addiction
Current drug addiction
Prior drug addiction
Types of drugs
Drug smuggling
In possession of substances
Medical problems due to substance abuse

**LEISURE AND RECREATION**
Involvement in sport in prison
Hobbies
Studies
Committees

**COGNITIVE FUNCTIONING**
Intelligence estimation
Suicide thoughts / suicide attempts
Level of adaptation
Emotional distress
Anxiety
Impulse control
Self-management strategies
Assertiveness
Self-esteem
Victim empathy
Insight into behaviour
Level of responsibility
Rationalisation, justification, minimalisation
Depression
Passivity and/or aggression
Communication skills
Problem-solving skills
Intimacy skills
Coping mechanisms
Gratification levels
Life stressors
Social skills
Fears
Attitude (authority, victim(s), society, family, partner, children and self)
Hostility and anger
Manipulative and/or predatory lifestyle
Previous personality diagnoses
History of mental illness
Narcissism
Indication of distorted attitudes and/or beliefs
Risk-taking and/or thrill-seeking behaviour
Short and long-term goals

PREVIOUS TREATMENT AND RESPONSIVITY
Programmes attended
Content of the programmes
Individual therapy and/or counselling
Prior psychiatric observation and/or treatment
Prior psychological treatment
Motivation to attend programmes