Thank you for agreeing to be interviewed. We appreciate your time in giving us insight into your experience of working with the Sinovuyo Parenting Programme. We are aware that you have been involved in the Randomised Control Trial. The work we’re doing is more about the stories and networking that goes on in the programme. This interview won’t take more than an hour. Your participation is voluntary and you are free to withdraw if you wish. This will not affect your involvement in Sinovuyo.

Because it is important for us to make sure we record and reproduce correctly the things you say here, we will record the interview. Is this okay?

This interview will help inform our research and publications relating to the qualitative evaluation of the Sinovuyo Parenting Programme. But we will ensure that any views you expressed here will remain confidential. Do we have your consent to proceed?

Yes?
No?

Do you have any questions?

If you have any further questions or complaints you can contact Dr Lucie Cluver (Lucie.Cluver@spi.ox.ac.uk) and/or Jasmina Byrne (jbyrne@unice.org)

Signed:

Date:
This interview will focus on six areas:

1) Telling us who you are, who you work for and your work with the Sinovuyo programme;
2) Your reflection on participant engagement in the Sinovuyo Parenting Programme;
3) Your reflection and experience of working with Sinovuyo programme facilitators;
4) Your participation and reflections of developing the Sinovuyo facilitator programme manual;
5) The outcomes of the Sinovuyo programme; and
6) Recommendations for possible future implementations of the Sinovuyo programme.

1. First let’s talk about who you are, what your training is, who you work for and how your organisation fits with everything else.

1. What is your background and training?

1b. What is the role your organisation plays in the Sinovuyo programme?

- Follow-up: What is the implementation model and justification?

- Mapping activity: Can you map these for us? Can you also include in your map * local service factors that affect/relate to the intervention and * other contextual factors affect/relate to the intervention (funding sources, service level agreements, social service professionals, training accreditation requirements, organizational registration, and local partnership)

1c. What is required for implementation (structures and resources)?

- Follow-up: Can you add these to your map?

- Follow-up: Are resources used well for programme implementation?

- Follow-up: What other non-core services are required during implementation?
Now we start with questions about the participants and facilitators and the programme itself.

2. Let’s start with the participants, how they were prepared, what they thought before the programme and how they experienced the programme:

2a. How were participants selected for participation in Sinovuyo programme? What criteria were set? By whom? How were the selected participants communicated with you?

2b. How were participants prepared for participation in the programme workshops before they began? By whom?
   - **Prompt:** Who gets participants ready to attend their first session?
   - **Follow-up:** What were participant understandings of “parenting support programme”? **Prompt:** Did participants know what ‘parenting support’ or ‘parenting programme’ was?

2b. Can you tell us about the participant experience of the programme? First lets focus on actual attendance and then on engagement with the programme.

   What were some of the challenges and enablers to attendance?
   - **Follow-up:** What were the main challenges around attending the programme?
   - **Follow-up:** Were these overcome? How?

2c. How do you think the participants experienced/engaged with the actual sessions?
   - **Follow-up:** Can you give us examples? If not well, why?

3. Now we are interested in the programme facilitators and the facilitator manual: How did you recruit and train the facilitators, how did you interact with their organisation?
3a. What criteria did you use to recruit staff?

3b. What skills training do staff receive? From whom?

3c. How do you ensure quality of what the facilitators deliver? How do you monitor the facilitator progress every week? What is the nature of the service quality? What performance measurement systems are in place?

3d. How are the facilitators supported? And yourself?

4. Now we would like to ask about the programme manual and your role in developing and training the facilitators with it.

4a. Is there a programme manual?

- What is the **origin** of the parenting programme? Who are the main **contributors** to the programme?

- How **gender** sensitive is the programme? Is this something you thought about when you were developing the manual?

- Did the facilitators **follow** the manual always? When did they not? Why?

- What dimensions of the programme manual (model) **worked/ didn’t work** in practice?

5. We’d like to know how you think the programme went… for yourself, the organisation (ie CWBSA) and for the Sinovuyo programme.

5a. Were the main outcomes achieved? For whom, why, and how?

5b. What outcomes were not achieved? For whom, why, and how?

5c. Were there unintended outcomes (both positive and negative)?

5d. What follow-up procedures are in place once the intervention is over?
6. **What are your recommendations for future roll out/scale up of Sinovuyo Programme?**

   6a. How sustainable is the programme? As it currently is – or with changes?

   6b. Can the programme be replicated as it is – in SA? In other countries? Any changes you would recommend?

   6c. What conditions would you recommend for scale up?