

JAIL STAFF  
Interview Guide

“First, I’d like to make sure that you’ve had time to review the Consent form and ask if you have any questions about it or this study. Do you have any questions at this time? Feel free to stop me if you have a question at any time during this interview.

Also I’d like to make clear that you know you’re being audio-taped and that the tape will be transcribed for the study. I’d also like to remind you that you’re not obligated to answer any questions I ask, and that your answers will be used only for the purpose of our research on the specific topic of providing prisoners access to condoms. Do you understand?

Lastly, I’d like to make clear that we plan to conduct a follow-up interview with you several months from now during which I’ll ask the same or similar questions.

OK. Let’s get started.”

1. Are you aware that condoms are currently available to prisoners in jail in San Francisco? YES/NO
  
2. If so, do you know how that program or programs work(s)?
  
3. Are you aware of any problems caused by condoms in jails? YES/NO In this jail? YES/NO
  
4. Do you think it is a good idea to distribute condoms in jail generally? YES/NO Why or why not? YES/NO
  
5. Do you think there is a better way to provide prisoners access to condoms than is currently operating in this jail system? YES/NO If so, what might that be and why would it be better?
  
6. Based on your experience, how often do you think sexual activity occurs in this jail? FREQUENTLY/OCCASSIONALLY/INFREQUENTLY/NEVER. Tell me about how and under what circumstances you think people have sex in jail – is it a few people having a little/lot of sex, lots of people often/occasionally having sex, or something else?
  
7. Are you in favor or against providing jail inmates condoms? YES/NO Why or why not?