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**How**

1. **Agree as a team which service or process to survey.** Ensure you have permission from the relevant staff to distribute a questionnaire. Explain to them why it’s important and how it may help the service.
2. **Define the high-level stages.** Break down the experience you are exploring into 5-6 stages. This often includes: Entering, During (often more than one step) and Exiting the service. Include a general option for comment.
3. **Use the template to create the questionnaire.** Keep it simple, ideally one page for the area you are investigating. (See the example for ideas.)
   - List the possible emotions that are relevant to this experience.
   - You can represent the emotions as emoticons instead of words if you think that will be easier for those completing the survey.
4. **Agree as a team:**
   - how the questionnaire will be accessed, distributed and collected
   - how you will monitor the information submitted
   - how long you will run the questionnaire
   - how you will provide a summary of the feedback to participants.
5. **Write the questionnaire instructions.** Include information about how people should complete the survey, why their feedback is important, how it will be used, and how they will be kept updated.
6. **Have someone proofread your questionnaire.** It is useful to have someone check it to ensure
7. **Ask relevant staff within the service to help distribute and promote the questionnaire.**
8. **Collect and summarise responses as a team.** Record quotes or information given in response to the questionnaire as part of your summary.
9. **Review the results and identify opportunities to improve the current situation.** Consider these opportunities when deciding your project focus.
10. **Provide feedback** to the staff and participants involved

**Time**

30-90 minutes

**Resources**

- Experience questionnaire template

**Tips**

- Participants may include consumers and their families, carers and staff.
- The staff in the area you are surveying are important stakeholders. Ideally, at least one should be on the project team to promote buy-in and understanding of your project.
- If you help someone to complete the questionnaire, be inquisitive and curious, and do not influence their answers.
- Give everyone access to the survey summary (including participants).
- If some questionnaires are partially completed, do not disregard them. It is important to include all information gathered.
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Circle how you are feeling at each of the stages.
If your feeling is not represented please add to the bottom

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Ideas
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- We live close and didn’t know about the service – spent 2 months driving everywhere – why didn’t I know
- A lot of duplication at first
- Would have been good to be able to go for a walk or somewhere and be texted when my time is up
- Ready for next visit and keen to come on my own without my wife

### Ideas
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- SMS or those café buzzers
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