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Supplementary file B: The eight categories and 29 research topics identified following evidence synthesis.

Diagnosis:

- Peritoneal mesothelioma (abdomen) experience of diagnosis
- Patient experience immediately after diagnosis
- Occupational history taking at diagnosis

The physical impact of mesothelioma:

- Support for patients and carers to manage symptoms
- The physical impact of treatments (including side effects)

The psychological impact of mesothelioma:

- Exploring mental health and well being (positive and negative) across the mesothelioma journey
- The link between physical and psychological well being

The impact on family, informal (unpaid) carers and relationships

- The impact of mesothelioma on family and intimate relationships
- Supporting and communicating with families and caregivers from diagnosis to bereavement
- Positive and negative impacts of informal caregiving

Self-management of mesothelioma

- Management of physical symptoms e.g. cough, breathlessness
- Management of psychological symptoms e.g. stress
- Maintaining hope
- Role of support groups
- Preferences for the delivery of information about mesothelioma

Healthcare professionals and systems

- Barriers and facilitators to early diagnosis
- Barriers and facilitators to joined-up care (how different health, care and other services are brought together to meet the needs, choices and aspirations of the individual)
- Palliative and end of life care
- The role of different professionals in supporting patients and their families
- Health economics and the cost of mesothelioma care
- The impact of Covid-19 from diagnosis to bereavement
- Geographical variation across the UK with regard to mesothelioma treatment and care

Treatments and clinical trials

- Factors influencing treatment decisions
- Experiences of treatments (both before and during the Covid-19 pandemic)
- Factors influencing clinical trial participation
- Experience of trials (both before and during the Covid-19 pandemic)

Asbestos exposure and compensation

- Motivations for seeking or not seeking compensation
- Barriers and facilitators to seeking compensation
- Factors which predict who seeks compensation and who is most successful