Supplementary Material

Annex 1. Questions used in the questionnaire survey and in structured interviews (hand hygiene, HH, healthcare workers, HCWs).

Questionnaire Survey-Questions About the Knowledge of Hand Hygiene

1.1. Questions that only HCWs were asked:

When should the '5 Moments for HH' be performed?(open question)

How often other HCWs performed HH before drawing your blood for testing (in outside analytical laboratories)?

(Likert scale: always/ often/ rarely)

Would you admonish an HCW that they do not comply with HH? (answer choice: yes/no)

1.2. Question that only patients were asked:

Being at the hospital, did you know that the medical staff conducted HH during medical procedures? (answer choice: yes/no)

How often did HCWs perform HH before touching you? (Likert scale: always/ often/ rarely)

How often did HCWs perform HH before examining you? (Likert scale: always/ often/ rarely)

How often did HCWs perform HH prior to oral drug administration? (Likert scale: always/ often/ rarely)

How often did HCWs perform HH before drawing blood / piercing a vein? (Likert scale: always/ often/ rarely)

1.3. Questions that both HCWs and patients were asked:

When you were attending primary and secondary schools, was there a supply of soap and towels in the bathrooms?

(answer choice: yes/no)

Give the level of the felt need for hand hygiene after their contamination in particular situations associated with health and

disease (Likert scale: 1 – clean hands, 7 – very dirty hands)

Structured Interviews—Questions (only HCWs)

On a scale of 1 to 5, how do you assess the level of HH among HCWs?

(Likert scale: 1 - Very Low; 5 - Very High)

What did you feel when a patient admonished you for not complying with HH?

 $Have \ you \ ever \ drawn \ the \ attention \ of \ an \ HCW \ because \ of \ a \ lack \ of \ conducting \ HH? \ (answer \ choice: \ yes/no)$

and in what circumstances?