**Supplementary Data**

**Appendix 1**

An organized list, divided into various themes, of the questions/prompts that were proposed to the participants during the interviews.

Assessment of global life changes:

**Tell us how your life has been affected by bladder cancer.**

Possible probes:

How is your life different since your diagnosis and treatment?

Did you experience any changes in the (physical, emotional, and sexual) aspect of your quality of life? If yes, can you tell me about those changes?

What would you describe as the most significant long-lasting negative change in your life since your diagnosis and treatment?

What would you describe as the most significant long-lasting positive change in your life since your diagnosis and treatment?

Do you think bladder cancer impacts men and women differently? How?

Diagnosis:

**I want you to think back to when you were first diagnosed. Tell me about that experience and how you felt at this time.**

Possible probes:

What did you need when you were initially diagnosed?

What resources did you use to help with treatment decision making?

What resources do you wish you had to help you when initially diagnosed?

What advice would you give to a woman recently diagnosed with bladder cancer?

How can we improve the exam- what is the most comfortable position? Would you want to listen to music- how can we make you more comfortable?

Thinking back on your journey, what were your goals for care?

Treatment:

**Tell me about your overall experience as a patient during treatment.**

Possible probes:

What factors influenced your treatment decision?

What resources, both in and outside the hospital were most helpful?

What was missing? What could have been improved?

Tell me about your pre-operative experience. Did you feel prepared for surgery?

Do you feel like your needs as a patient were met?

Do you feel like you were prepared for what you experienced before and after treatment? What was helpful? What needs to be improved?

Did you experience any side effects of treatment?

How did side effects affect your quality of life?

What side effects were the most burdensome for you?

What side effects went away vs ones that continue to bother you?

Ways of Coping/social support:

Possible probes:

What kind of information did you receive from your medical provider about managing stress and anxiety?

Who did you turn to for support?

What support services helped you the most?

What was missing?

Final thoughts/questions:

Is there anything else that you think is important for me to know about your experience that I did not ask you about?