

IMMIGRANT RESIDENT INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Please describe the nature of traumatic events that you experienced in your own country prior to coming to the United States.
 - a. Nature of events
 - b. Chronic and/or acute
 - c. Psychological impact
 - d. Physical impact
 - e. Effect on family of origin
 - f. Loss of significant others
 - g. Evidence in respondent at any time of PTSD
2. What was the relationship between these traumatic events and your decision to come to the United States?
3. What was the effect of emigration on the family unit?
 - a. Nuclear family
 - b. Extended family
 - c. Relatives who came; who stayed behind
3. What was the process of acculturation like?
 - a. For you personally? (difficulties, pleasures)
 - b. For nuclear family?
4. What aspects of your culture of origin have you tried to retain/promote in your own family? What "American" values do you think your family has absorbed?
5. How long had you been in the U.S. when you became a resident?
6. How did the traumatic events experienced in your country of origin affect your response to residency training? (made it better, worse; irrelevant)
7. Was there anything that the residency program might have done to make the transition easier for you? Any way in which residency program might have made a greater effort to understand your past experiences and their impact on you?
8. In what ways did the events experienced in your country of origin affect how you practice medicine?
 - a. Your view of patients
 - b. Your view of yourself as a physician
 - c. Cross-cultural sensitivities
 - d. Sensitivity to results of traumatic experiences in patients