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To the caregiver: What about getting on with others of his/her own age? Does s/he have any friends? Have you met them?

To adolescent: Can you tell me about your friends? Do you see them out of school? When was the last time?

What did you/they do together? How often do you get together? When was the last time? What did you do? How often have you done something together in the last month?

Have you had a friend to visit at home? When was the last time?

To caregiver re. adolescent's friends: Do you ever see's friends? When was the last time? Did they (his friends) talk to you? What was that about? How often have you talked to them in the last month? (item 42)

Has s/he visited a friend's home recently? When was that?

Discover frequency of out-of-school contacts in the last week.

To caregiver: Have you discussed friends with? What sort of things have you discussed? What about going out in the evenings? What do you expect? Are there any rules about letting you know where s/he is going? What about time to be in? When was the last time? (item 39, 41)

Do you know how to tell whether someone may be on drugs? (item 43)

Have you discussed drugs? What has been said? How often have you talked about them in the last year? What about drinking? (item 35)

What about boy/girlfriends? Have you ever talked about them? What sort of things have you talked about? (item 36)

Have you talked about what to do if there is an accident? Or if becomes ill when out? What about safety more generally? When was the last time? What was discussed? (item 30)

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		Yes	No
30.	Parent has taught adolescent how to deal with health and safety emergencies		
35.	Parent periodically discusses the hazards of alcohol and drug abuse with adolescent		
36.	Parent has provided guidance or advice to adolescent during the past year concerning responsible sexuality and physical hygiene		
39.	Parent requires adolescent to sleep at home on school nights		
41.	Parent establishes rules for adolescent's behaviour with peers and asks questions to determine whether the rules are being followed		
42.	Parent has had contact with at least 2 of the adolescent's friends in the last month		
43.	Parent knows signs of drug usage and remains alert to possible experimentation or abuse		

Interviewer's notes			

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