iPad as Viewer and Memory Aid for Respondents in a Collaborative Approach to CAPI Interviewing

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- CAPI using CASES 6
- Pilot study with ~200 completes
- Target population
 - mothers of young children
 - receive social services
 - Most are unmarried, complex households
- Interested in available resources, particularly food
- Collaborative standardization
 - Interviewer and respondent working together to "fill out the form" while still using standardized interviewing practices





Challenges of the Instrument

- Rosters and repeated questions for adults and children
 - In the past we would ask...

Who bought food?

Did Jim buy food? Yes.

Did John buy food? No.

Did Julie buy food? Yes.

Did Jane buy food? No.

But the goal was to ask...

Which of these adults bought food? Jim and Julie

• Timelines to describe co-residence for parents and children



The "Viewer"

- Interviewer's laptop also serves as a wifi hotspot
 - UWSC uses Connectify software, but there are many other options
 - No internet access required
- iPad (or any device with a browser) connects to the laptop's web server
 - Connection is encrypted and password-protected





CASES to the iPad

Macros in instrument write to Viewer.txt



C# and JavaScript code parse Viewer.txt and displays the answers



Answer entered by interviewer

Thank You!

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Demo: Adding Household Members to a Roster

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