**Supplemental Table 1: Timing points based on audio track**

Key:

* Audio
  + *Action in scene*
  + **Activity for nurse**

0.00 = Start

* This is a Virtual Reality Experience …
  + *Dark static scene with instructions*

0.31

* As you can see …
  + *Interviewer approaches desk*

0.56

* You have a few moments…
  + *Prepare thoughts for interview*

1.21

* You’ve heard that the company…
  + *Walking through to interview room*

1.33

* We’ve brought you into this meeting for you to tell us …
  + *Seated for interview*

1.55

* Look I’m sorry, I’m so sorry …
  + *Interview scene ends*

2.01

* + *Maths questions visible to patient*
  + **Serial sevens – see answer schedule below**

2.27

* Next you’ll be walking …
  + *End of maths questions*
  + **Mark down last answer the patient says**

2.35

* *Maths questions fade*
* Beeping of pedestrian light …

2.55

* Shouldn’t those dogs have a muzzle on …

3.20

* Fire station bell …

3.29

* Fire engine siren
  + *Maths questions visible*

3.43

* Second maths question, the nurse will remind you where you left off.

3.48 - **Advise patient of last answer – call out the number that patient last said during first maths question.**

4.13

* You’re late to catch a train
  + *Maths questions end*

5.12

* + *Fades to black*

**Serial sevens answer schedule**

Mark off as patient achieves each

100

93

86

79

72

65

58

51

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