Film 5: Making Decisions Together

Narrator: Working with older people and enabling them to live life to the fullest can be

rewarding but comes with its challenges. Working within the constraints of time and in a person-centred way is just one of them. In the following scenes we return to Patrick and Gillian who have not been coping as well as they

Chloe, a social worker meets them to carry out this assessment.

Acted scenario

Chloe: Hello, you must be Mrs Harper?

Gillian: Oh Gillian please.

Chloe: Gillian, nice to meet you.

Patrick: Have a seat.

Chloe: Oh thanks. How are you feeling Gillian?

Gillian: Oh not too bad thanks.

Chloe: G

Patrick: More-or-less.

Chloe:

are doing Gillian since leaving the hospital and to try and identify ann 2200 Ao and

get a, a general idea of your daily living activities, health that kind of thing.

Patrick: a lot of paper.

Chloe:

help with.

Commentary Marian Barnes Workers who are working in statutory agencies usually have a standard format that they have to complete when they are doing assessments. And

that can cause problems if what the worker does is simply say

beginning and work my way through to the end

Patrick:	
Gillian:	Doris.
Patrick:	the journey.
Chloe:	You must have felt very cut off.
Patrick:	couple of places.
Gillian:	
Patrick:	

Patrick:	Yes the shops, the doctors, that kind of thing.		
Chloe:	OK And how are you managing about the house?		
Gillian:			
Chloe:			
Patrick:			
Gillian:			
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Patrick:			
Gillian:	But if I fall and take you with me?		
Commentary Lizzie Ward:	-being is often impacted by the well-being of those at them, their loved ones. We often found in the examples in the research particularly in couples where one partner was caring for the other one, to there was a need to learn how to support their partner in changed circumstances. But actually giving care to their spouse or their partner of generate a sense of well-being for themselves. But it also creates difficult	, that xould	
	Particularly when you are working with a couple,	-being	
Chloe:	Do eit		

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Gillian:	a while.
Chloe:	