Com-B	TDF	Sub-themes	Example quotes – Change4Life advisors (Focus group 1)	Example quotes - Parents (Focus groups 2-6)
	Knowledge, Memory, attention and decision making processes	Parents lack knowledge and have a difficulty in making decisions on appropriate portion sizes	But when I say to people what's your child's portion size in relation to yoursI mean one dad, said 'well actually she eats the same as me' cos they've had a Sunday Dinner and the daughter who is 11 would have the same size meal as him	Until I came here, I didn't really know much about portion sizes at all
pability		Parents lack knowledge on the balance of food groups	You often don't get the families that understand the balance do they of foodsyou know you get the 'eatwell' plate with tiny portions of fatsandI don't know if everyone went to training last week but the 'naughty but nice'section. (laughs).I just don't think they understand how much one chocolate bar actually is or how much fat is actually in a portion of chips, it's very hard to try and get that across I think	P3: It's difficult isn't it? I think maybe, well what we've done, the picture were given in the group of the portion sizes of what food groups you should have what quantity of and we've got that on the dining room table and the kids actually say that's me chicken and that's me veg and we try to visualise that on the plate so we get roughly the amounts right, the portion's too big but the ration is roughly right but i think if there was like a poster or a plastic plate that you could get for a 6 year old, an 8 year old and a 10 year old, so that you knew, roughly what you should be giving and i think that would help
Psychological Capability	Skills (ability)	Parents' difficulty in measuring food portions	But when I say to people what's your child's portion size in relation to yoursI mean one dad, said 'well actually she eats the same as me' cos they've had a Sunday Dinner and the daughter who is 11 would have	For me, I find it particularly difficult dishing out the correct portion size for children and for adults, I suppose. I just tend to give everybody the same amount. I suppose I've, sort of, justified that in a way that I'm dieting so I'm actually having less of a portion size, so hers was equal to mine and that's

			the same size meal as him	the way I, sort of, justified it in my mind, but that's probably not the right way to do it
	Skills (interpersonal)	Parents' difficulty in Communicating with their children and partners around eating and weight issues	I actually think they find it quite difficult, especially at Year 6 when the young people are starting to formulate their own habits and they do have a lot of opportunity to kind of go against what parents are advising as well really, and I think it's quite difficult to get the message across and encourage that health change behaviour without becoming something else that is a bit of a battle	Yeah, I think if you give them a smaller portion size, then Daisy will say why have I got less and doesn't really understand that she's got a smaller body and needs less than adults do.
	Behavioural regulation	Parents' regulation of their own portion sizes and their children	But when I say to people what's your child's portion size in relation to yoursI mean one dad, said 'well actually she eats the same as me' cos they've had a Sunday Dinner and the daughter who is 11 would have the same size meal as him	From my own experience, you tend to give them what you see as adequate, that's your mind thinking more about you more than the kid, so I know for a fact we give our kids too large portions, far too big, but when we do measure them out and put them in the bowl it doesn't seem much but it's adequate for them so in effect we are over filling them
Reflectiv e Motivati on	Social identity	<i>The role of the mother</i>	Even when you phone up they are like 'oh you need to speak to my wife about that' or mother about thatit's like they can't make a	All that takes time to prepare and you don't have that time.

		decisionor they don't want to deal with it	
Beliefs about capabilities	Parents have a lack of confidence in their ability to make changes to their children's dietary behaviours and weight	I think if you've gotI mean i've spoken to mum's and they've still tried to lose weight in the past and tried every diet going so they've tried it all for themselves. How will are they to try it for their child?	What are your thoughts on how confident you feel in successfully making changes to your children's diet? 'I'd give in too easily' 'Not very confident'
Beliefs about consequences	Parents' difficulty in linking childhood and adulthood overweight with health risks	P3:I've got one family where mom's got diabetes, dad's dad died of a heart attack really young, his brother had died really young, he wasn't in good health at all, mom wasn't in good health. The one day I went for a visit and her sister had just been taken into hospital with a heart attack but they couldn't relate that to any sort of M: being overweight P3: No	I think for me it's the teasing, you know, the peer pressure because I was teased really badly at school for being overweight and that's my main memory of secondary school just being told you're fat and you know and I don't want them to go through that.

		Parents believe that portion sizes take too long to measure	N/A	I don't weight out my portion to know what it isor even if they say per so many grams, I still don't have the time to figure outI just don't want to
		Parents' belief that they do not need to change children's eating behaviour if they do more exercise	they do quite a lot of exercise and so they feel they're doing really well when actually even the people who do go to football or Rugby three times a week, they're only doing what they should be doing anywayand they're then giving that food extra food which they don't need	Yeahwe're just trying to get him more active, badminton, squash and cycling, stuff like that. With the weather comingso we're hoping to exercise it off him (laughs) rather than doing anything too drastic with his diet, we're putting more veg on
Automatic Motivation	Emotions	Parents' fear of child becoming anxious about weight/eating disorders	when you're contacting year 6 parents where the young people are overweightthe parents don't necessarily want to bring up the subject because of they're age.	Well he's only just joined the senior school so I don't want to overload him with too many worrieswe don't want him to go the other way and you knowhave anxieties about that
		Parents' denial/recognition of the problem	They don't believe they're overweightthey're just like their brothers and sisters	I thought this was about sport when we first comes here, I didn't realise my son was overweightI was quiteoh my goodness
Automatic		Parents' guilt of restricting food	I think some families its moreI love you to deathcos they don't stop their child from having that chocolate bar and saying to them	I'll just make anything into a guilt trip for myself I think that's all. So food is one of those.

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			'you can't have that chocolate bar	
			but you can have a piece of fruit	
			instead'. They haven't got that	
			strength in them because they feel	
			like they are being mean	
	Environmental	Parents' resources for		yeah tea cup and then it would be so much easier
	context and	measuring portion sizes		
	resources			And this is what my issue with my husband giving
>				them far too much is that he is using pasta bowls
nit				that's adult size deep dish bowls that go one
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Physical Opportunity		Not enough time to		I don't weight out my portion to know what it isor
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	Social influences	Grandparents	On a positive noteumsome of my	When he was writing his meal for yesterday, bearing
>			familiesthey are really trying to	in mind that I thought I was with him all day
nit			make this change but Grandmathey	yesterday, because we all live with my parents, and
2			go over to Grandma's and Grandma	he said 'I had a penguin' and I said 'when did you
Jo Jo			is giving them all this stuff!!	have that? Did Nanny give it ya?' 'Yeah'.
de		Partners		Well I'm relying on the kids now to say to daddy you
Social Opportunity				need to put some vegetables on the plate because
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oci				I've given up trying to tell him
So				
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