Communicative Function Questionnaire

Name:  Date:

Description of the behaviour of concern

1. How often does the behaviour occur (several times a day, daily, once a week)?

2. How long does the behaviour last?

3. How severe is the behaviour?

4. Does the behaviour occur in clusters/phases, or more sporadically?
5. When is the behaviour most likely to happen? (time of day/week/month)

6. In what environment or where does the behaviour mostly happen?  
   (If it happens in various settings are there some places where it is more likely than others?)

7. Are behaviours more likely if the person is left on his/her own?  
   Or if attention is given to another person, not them?

8. With whom is the behaviour most likely to occur, and what is it about them?  
   (E.g. familiar/unfamiliar, male/female, quiet/loud?)

9. What activity is most likely to produce the behaviour?

10. Are behaviours more likely if demands are made of the person?  
    Any demands or particular things?
11. Are behaviours more likely if the person is refused a request/desire?

12. Are behaviours more likely if the person is told to wait?

13. Are behaviours more likely if the person is bored?

14. Are behaviours more likely when something changes?

15. Are there any other events or situations that can trigger the behaviour e.g. transitions between activities, difficulties with communication/frustration?

16. How are others responding to the behaviour? What impact does this have on behaviour?
17. Does the person gain anything from the behaviour? Something tangible? Contact from people? Control?

18. Does the person avoid or escape from anything?

19. Does the person show pleasure or relief from the behaviour?

20. Anything else?
### Analysing reasons (functions) for behaviour grid

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