**Additional file 2: Table S2.** Survey questionnaire for TSC specialistsa

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| **Questions** | **Choices presented** |
| 1) How often do you refer your TSC patients to psychiatry? | * Never
* Rarely
* Sometimes
 | * Only if the patient/caregiver or HCP requests it
* Once a year
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| 2) Which of the following TSC symptoms can be treated by the specialist doctors at your TSC clinic? | (Select all that are appropriate) |
| * Seizures
* Cognitive impairment
 | * Behavioral problems
* Skin abnormalities
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| 3) For which of these symptoms would you refer a TSC patient to psychiatry? | (Select all that are appropriate)* Learning disabilities
* Aggression
* Sudden rage
* Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
* Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
* Autism
* Self-harming behavior
* Other (please specify)
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| 4) In your experience, what are the barriers to effective collaboration between different doctor specialties and psychiatrists in terms of TSC treatment, if any? | (Select all that are appropriate)* Lack of time/resources for multidisciplinary interactions
* Culture
* Lack of time/resources in psychiatry
* Reluctance among psychiatrists to take on TSC patients because of a lack of knowledge/training in management of this rare and complex disease
* Reluctance among patients to undergo psychiatric assessment/treatment in addition to multiple other diagnostic tests
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| 5) How important do you think it is for psychiatrists to engage in TSC treatment of patients experiencing cognitive impairment or behavioral problems? | * Not important
* Somewhat important
* Important
* Very important
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| 6) How confident/comfortable do you feel in communicating the psychiatric assessment and treatment requirements and other psychiatric issues to a patient or patient family/caregiver? | * Not confident/comfortable
* Somewhat confident/comfortable
* Confident/Comfortable
* Very confident/comfortable
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| 7) In your experience, how often do you think that patients/patient’s families feel stigmatized when referred to psychiatric services? | * Never
* Rarely
* Sometimes
 | * Often
* Always
* I don’t know
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| 8) Do you think standard psychiatric therapy works for TSC patients? | * Never
* Rarely
* Sometimes
 | * Often
* Always
* I don’t know
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HCP, healthcare provider; TSC, tuberous sclerosis complex. aTSC specialists are defined as those who are working in a TSC clinic