SDOH Screening Measure Specifications

Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) Screening Steward: Connecticut Office of Health Strategy¹ As of July 7, 2023

Description

Social Determinants of Health are the "conditions in the places where people live, learn, work, and play that affect a wide range of health and quality-of life-risks and outcomes." ²

The percentage of attributed patients who were screened for Social Determinants of Health using a screening tool once per measurement year, where the primary care clinician has documented the completion of the screening and the results.

Eligible Population

Note: Patients in hospice care or who refuse to participate are excluded from the eligible population. Additional details on exclusions can be found below.

Product lines	Medicaid, Commercial	
Stratification	None	
Ages	All ages	
Continuous enrollment	Measurement year	
Allowable gap	No more than one gap in enrollment of up to 45 days during the measurement year. To determine continuous enrollment for a Medicaid member for whom enrollment is verified monthly, the member may not have more than a 1-month gap in coverage (e.g., a member whose coverage lapses for 2 months [60 days] is not considered continuously enrolled).	
Anchor date	December 31 of the measurement year.	
Lookback period	12 months	
Benefit	Medical	
Event/diagnosis	 The patient has been seen by an Advanced Network-affiliated primary care clinician anytime within the last 12 months For the purpose of this measure "primary care clinician" is any provider defined by the reporting payer as a primary care clinician and holding a patient panel. Follow the below to determine a primary care visit: The following are the eligible CPT/HCPCS office visit codes for determining a primary care visit: 98970-98972; 99201-99205; 99212-99215; 99324-99337; 99341-99350; 99381 – 99387; 99391-99397; 99417; 	

¹ This measure was developed based on the Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) SDOH Screening measure and the Massachusetts EOHHS Health-Related Social Needs Screening measure.

² Definition from the CDC: www.cdc.gov/socialdeterminants/index.htm. Last accessed on 5/22/22.

	99421-99423; 99439; 99490; 99495-99496; G2212	
	 The following are the eligible telephone visit, e-visit or 	
	virtual check-in codes for determining a primary care	
	visit:	
	■ CPT/HCPCS/SNOMED codes: 98966-98968,	
	98969-98972, 99421-99423, 99441-99443,	
	99444, 11797002, 185317003, 314849005,	
	386472008, 386473003, 386479004	
	 Any of the above CPT/HCPCS office visit codes 	
	for determining a primary care visit with the	
	following POS codes: 02	
	 Any of the above CPT/HCPCS office visit codes 	
	for determining a primary care visit with the	
	following modifiers: 95, GT	
Exclusions	Patients in hospice care (see Code List below)	
	Refused to participate	

Electronic Data Specifications

The percentage of attributed patients who were screened for Social Determinants of Health, where the primary care practice has documentation of the completion of the screening, the date of the screen, and the results.

Denominator	A systematic sample drawn from the eligible population
Numerator	Individuals attributed to the primary care clinician who were screened for Social Determinants of Health once per measurement year and for whom results are in the primary care clinician's health record.
	 Screens may be rendered asynchronously, i.e., at a time and through a modality other than a visit with a primary care clinician that triggered inclusion in the denominator. Screens rendered during a telephone visit, e-visit or virtual check-in meet numerator criteria.
	Advanced Networks can, but are not required to, use ICD-10 Z codes to track performance for this measure electronically.
Unit of measurement	Individual
Documentation requirements	All screenings must be documented in the attributed primary care clinician's patient health record, regardless of if the primary care clinician screened the individual or if the screen was performed by anyone else, including: another provider, the insurer or a community partner.
	The screening results must either be a) embedded in an EHR, or b) a PDF of the screening results must be accessible in the EHR, i.e., the

	primary care clinician must not be required to leave the EHR to access a portal or other electronic location to view the screening results, or c) a hard copy of the screening results are in a paper health record. Results for at least one question per required domain must be included for a screen to be considered numerator complaint.
Required domains	 Housing insecurity; Food insecurity; Transportation; Interpersonal violence; and Utility assistance
	Note: If primary care clinicians are conducting the screen during a telephone visit, e-visit or virtual check-in or independent of a visit, they may use their discretion whether to ask questions related to interpersonal violence. The interpersonal violence domain must, however, be included for screens administered during in-person visits.

Code List

The following codes should be utilized to identify patients in hospice care:

Code System	Code
UBREV	0115
UBREV	0125
UBREV	0135
UBREV	0145
UBREV	0155
UBREV	0235
UBREV	0650
UBREV	0651
UBREV	0652
UBREV	0655
UBREV	0656
UBREV	0657
UBREV	0658
UBREV	0659
SNOMED CT US EDITION	170935008
SNOMED CT US EDITION	170936009
SNOMED CT US EDITION	183919006
SNOMED CT US EDITION	183920000
SNOMED CT US EDITION	183921001
SNOMED CT US EDITION	305336008
SNOMED CT US EDITION	305911006
SNOMED CT US EDITION	385763009
SNOMED CT US EDITION	385765002

Code System	Code
CPT	99377
CPT	99378
HCPCS	G0182
HCPCS	G9473
HCPCS	G9474
HCPCS	G9475
HCPCS	G9476
HCPCS	G9477
HCPCS	G9478
HCPCS	G9479
HCPCS	Q5003
HCPCS	Q5004
HCPCS	Q5005
HCPCS	Q5006
HCPCS	Q5007
HCPCS	Q5008
HCPCS	Q5010
HCPCS	S9126
HCPCS	T2042
HCPCS	T2043
HCPCS	T2044
HCPCS	T2045
HCPCS	T2046