

HEDIS® Tip Sheet

Social Need Screening and Intervention (SNS-E)

Measure Description

The percentage of members who were screened, using prespecified instruments, at least once during the measurement period (January 1 – December 31) for unmet food, housing and transportation needs, and received a corresponding intervention if they screened positive.

- **Food Screening:** The percentage of members who were screened for food insecurity between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement period.
- **Food Intervention:** The percentage of members who received a corresponding intervention within 1 month (31 days total) of screening positive for food insecurity.
- **Housing Screening:** The percentage of members who were screened for housing instability, homelessness or housing inadequacy between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement period.
- **Housing Intervention:** The percentage of members who received a corresponding intervention within 1 month (31 days total) of screening positive for housing instability, homelessness or housing inadequacy.
- **Transportation Screening:** The percentage of members who were screened for transportation insecurity between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement period.
- **Transportation Intervention:** The percentage of members who received a corresponding intervention within 1 (31 total days) month of screening positive for transportation insecurity.

Eligibility

- Any age member for any line of business.

Exclusions

- Members in hospice or using hospice services any time during the measurement year.
- Medicare members 66 years of age and older by the end of the measurement period who meet either of the following:
 - Enrolled in an Institutional SNP (I-SNP) any time during the measurement period.
 - Living long-term in an institution any time during the measurement period, as identified by the LTI flag in the Monthly Membership Detail Data File. Use the run date of the file to determine if a member had an LTI flag during the measurement period.

Codes Included in the Current HEDIS® Measure

Description	Code
Food Insecurity Procedures	CPT: 96156, 96160, 96161, 97802-97804 HCPCS: S5170, S9470
Homelessness Procedures, or Housing Instability Procedures, or	CPT: 96156, 96160, 96161
Transportation Insecurity Procedures	CPT: 96156, 96160, 96161

Codes to Identify Eligible Screening Instruments and Positive Findings

Food Insecurity Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes	Positive Finding LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool,	88122-7	LA28397-0 LA6729-3
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	88123-5	LA28397-0 LA6729-3
Health Leads Screening Panel ¹	95251-5	LA33-6
Hunger Vital Sign ^{TM1} (HVS)	88124-3	LA19952-3
Protocol for Responding to and Assessing Patients' Assets, Risks and Experiences [PRAPARE] ¹	93031-3	LA30125-1
Safe Environment for Every Kid (SEEK) ¹	95400-8 95399-2	LA33-6 LA33-6
U.S. Household Food Security Survey [U.S. FSS], U.S. Adult Food Security Survey [U.S. FSS], U.S. Child Food Security Survey [U.S. FSS], U.S. Household Food Security Survey—Six-Item Short Form [U.S. FSS]	95264-8	LA30985-8 LA30986-6
We Care Survey	96434-6	LA32-8
WellRx Questionnaire	93668-2	LA33-6

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Housing Instability and Homelessness Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes	Positive Finding LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	71802-3	LA31994-9 LA31995-6
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	99550-6	LA33-6
Children's Health Watch Housing Stability Vital Signs ^{TM1}	98976-4 98977-2 98978-0	LA33-6 ≥3 LA33-6
Health Leads Screening Panel ¹	99550-6	LA33-6
Protocol for Responding to and Assessing Patients' Assets, Risks and Experiences [PRAPARE] ¹	93033-9 71802-3	LA33-6 LA30190-5
We Care Survey	96441-1	LA33-6
WellRx Questionnaire	93669-0	LA33-6

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Housing Inadequacy Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes	Positive Finding LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	96778-6	LA31996-4 LA28580-1 LA31997-2 LA31998-0 LA32691-0
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	96778-6	LA31999-8 LA32000-4 LA32001-2 LA32695-1 LA32696-9 LA32693-6 LA32694-4

Transportation Insecurity Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes	Positive Finding LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	93030-5	LA33-6
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	99594-4	LA33-6
Comprehensive Universal Behavior Screen (CUBS)	89569-8	LA29232-8 LA29233-6 LA29234-4
Health Leads Screening Panel ¹	99553-0	LA33-6
Protocol for Responding to and Assessing Patients' Assets, Risks and Experiences [PRAPARE] ¹	93030-5	LA30133-5 LA30134-3
PROMIS ¹	92358-1	LA30024-6 LA30026-1 LA30027-9
WellRx Questionnaire	93671-6	LA33-6

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Ways to Improve HEDIS® Scores

- Screen members during visits for food insecurity, housing instability, homelessness, housing inadequacy and transportation insecurity using prespecified instruments.
 - o **Food Insecurity:** Uncertain, limited or unstable access to food that is: adequate in quantity and in nutritional quality; culturally acceptable; safe and acquired in socially acceptable ways.
 - o **Housing Instability:** Currently consistently housed but experiencing any of the following circumstances in the past 12 months: being behind on rent or mortgage, multiple moves, cost burden or risk of eviction.
 - o **Homelessness:** Currently living in an environment that is not meant for permanent human habitation (e.g., cars, parks, sidewalks, abandoned buildings, on the street), not having a consistent place to sleep at night, or because of economic difficulties, currently living in a shelter, motel, temporary or transitional living situation.
 - o **Housing Inadequacy:** Housing does not meet habitability standards.
 - o **Transportation Insecurity:** Uncertain, limited or no access to safe, reliable, accessible, affordable and socially acceptable transportation infrastructure and modalities necessary for maintaining one's health, well-being or livelihood.
- Document in the medical record the screening encounter date and the corresponding intervention if the member screened positive. Help members find free or low-cost resources for basic needs (i.e., housing, food, clothing, job training, etc.) in their community at www.MolinaHelpFinder.com.
- An intervention may include any of the following intervention categories: assistance, assessment, counseling, coordination, education, evaluation of eligibility, provision or referral.

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