

Social Needs Screening Workgroup

Evidence Review Plan

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Evidence Type	Examples/Sources	Type of Information
Resource Center from an Existing National Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SIREN• AHRQ	Consolidated resources and guidance on social need screening. Not always peer-reviewed evidence, but offers a glimpse into existing work
Peer Reviewed Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PubMed	Articles about social need screening. Can conduct a literature search using standard terms. Articles may be either quantitative (number of patients screened, patient reported outcomes, etc.) or qualitative (interviews with staff or patients)
Viewpoint/Opinion from Journals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• JAMA• AAFP	Articles providing an author viewpoint on screening. May draw from other evidence sources, but mostly provides a new perspective.
Independent Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Fund• Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Broad reports on the state of social need screening that may focus on policy or synthesize promising practices from around the US

Questions to Answer:

- What are the ideal outcomes from social need screening?
- Is screening well-tolerated by both patients and staff?
- What are the observed outcomes from social need screening?
 - When screening is tied to social services?
 - When screening is provided without connecting to social services?
- Is screening cost-effective and feasible to implement?