

## Social Need Screening Implementation Guide Draft

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### Background:

- Workgroup-Specific Background/Context
  - Useful for giving the rationale (why is it important, what is the evidence, what have organizations done?)
- Use Cases/Audiences
  - Clinics/Providers
  - Health Systems Admin
  - Care Coordinators
  - Employers
  - Health Plans
  - Public Health Agencies
- Potential Workflows – examples from other organizations and frameworks
  - Gravity Project Terminology Workstream (codes and screening tools)
  - BMC WeCare, Kaiser Social Need Playbook, HealthLeads, PREPARE Toolkit
- Guiding Assumptions
  - EHR Capabilities
  - Capacity/funding
  - Standards

### Context (existing tools/resources):

- Screening Tools/Options – KP Social Need Screening Tool Comparison, SIREN social need screening inventory. Empathic inquiry training tools

### Implementation Actions

- Level 1 – Collaboratively Choose/Develop Screening Tool
  - Which tool to use, social need domains included, involvement of people with lived experience, developing staff buy-in.
- Level 2 – Begin Screening People for Social Need
  - Staff and technology needs
  - Education campaigns to partner with people with social need
  - Target metrics for number of people screened
  - Determining pathway for screening (paper, electronic, in-person, self-administered, etc)
- Level 3 – Connect Social need information to structure data sets
  - Using coded vocabulary (SNOMED, ICD-10, LOINC) and FHIR resources
- Level 4 –Connect social need information to referral and quality improvement activities
  - Will connect with social need interventions workgroup for this topic

### Considerations:

- Buy-In
- Ethics
- Funding