



Social Needs Screening Tool

PROVIDER FORM (long version)

Underlined answer options indicate a positive response for a social need for the housing, food, transportation, and utilities categories.

HOUSING

1. What is your housing situation today?¹
 - I do not have housing (I am staying with others, in a hotel, in a shelter, living outside on the street, on a beach, in a car, abandoned building, bus or train station, or in a park)
 - I have housing today, but I am worried about losing housing in the future
 - I have housing
2. Think about the place you live. Do you have problems with any of the following? (check all that apply)¹
 - Bug infestation
 - Mold
 - Lead paint or pipes
 - Inadequate heat
 - Oven or stove not working
 - No or not working smoke detectors
 - Water leaks
 - None of the above

FOOD

3. Within the past 12 months, you worried that your food would run out before you got money to buy more.¹
 - Often true
 - Sometimes true
 - Never true
4. Within the past 12 months, the food you bought just didn't last and you didn't have money to get more.¹
 - Often true
 - Sometimes true
 - Never true

TRANSPORTATION

5. In the past 12 months, has lack of transportation kept you from medical appointments, meetings, work or from getting things needed for daily living? (check all that apply)¹
 - Yes, it has kept me from medical appointments or getting medications
 - Yes, it has kept me from non-medical meetings, appointments, work, or getting things that I need
 - No

UTILITIES

6. In the past 12 months has the electric, gas, oil, or water company threatened to shut off services in your home?¹
 - Yes
 - No
 - Already shut off

Underlined answer option indicates a positive response for a social need for the childcare, employment, education, and finances categories.

CHILD CARE

7. Do problems getting child care make it difficult for you to work or study?
 - Yes
 - No

EMPLOYMENT

8. Do you have a job?
 - Yes
 - No

EDUCATION

9. Do you have a high school degree?
 - Yes
 - No



FINANCES

10. How often does this describe you:
I don't have enough money to pay my bills:
- Never
 - Rarely
 - Sometimes
 - Often
 - Always

A value greater than 10 when the numerical values for answers to the following questions are summed indicates a positive screen for personal safety. Please input the corresponding value for each question.

PERSONAL SAFETY

11. How often does anyone, including family, physically hurt you?¹
- ___ Never (1)
 - ___ Rarely (2)
 - ___ Sometimes (3)
 - ___ Fairly often (4)
 - ___ Frequently (5)
12. How often does anyone, including family, insult or talk down to you?¹
- ___ Never (1)
 - ___ Rarely (2)
 - ___ Sometimes (3)
 - ___ Fairly often (4)
 - ___ Frequently (5)
13. How often does anyone, including family, threaten you with harm?¹
- ___ Never (1)
 - ___ Rarely (2)
 - ___ Sometimes (3)
 - ___ Fairly often (4)
 - ___ Frequently (5)
14. How often does anyone, including family, scream or curse at you?¹
- ___ Never (1)
 - ___ Rarely (2)
 - ___ Sometimes (3)
 - ___ Fairly often (4)
 - ___ Frequently (5)

Sum of questions 11–14: _____

Greater than 10 equals positive screen for personal safety.

ASSISTANCE

15. Would you like help with any of these needs?
- Yes
 - No

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Social Determinants of Health Patient Action Plan

Instructions: The Patient Action Plan can be used with the American Academy of Family Physicians' (AAFP) social needs screening tool. Once you've identified the social need(s) of a patient from the screening tool, document resources and/or actions to assist with those needs.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Date: _____

Social Needs Resources and Actions

Housing | Resource and/or action:

Food | Resource and/or action:

Transportation | Resource and/or action:

Utilities | Resource and/or action:

Child care | Resource and/or action:



Employment | Resource and/or action:

Education | Resource and/or action:

Finances | Resource and/or action:

Personal Safety | Resource and/or action:

Follow-up Plan:

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