DATA FOR BETTER HEALTH™

SDOH Collection Across Healthcare Organizations

Almost eight out of 10 of health information professionals report that their organization collects SDOH data

SDOH elements collected by organizations

44% housing or living situation	38% economic stability	36% food insecurity	28% transportation	17% education

SDOH screening tools vary across organizations:

Roughly two in 10 organizations use Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Core Domains

One in 10 use CMS AHC Supplemental Domains or Uniform Data System Domains

While many health systems and organizations are collecting individual SDOH data elements, those data are not necessarily being integrated into electronic health records.

Least integrated into the EHR: Mental health, health behaviors, social isolation, and homelessness.

Top Challenges in Coding SDOH data:

Lack of trained workforce	No organizational policy for collection
Patient distrust	Inability to address SDOH needs

Top Challenges to Collecting SDOH data:

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Lack of staff training and education	Inability to find SDOH information in patient record	SDOH data not collected by frontline staff

What are social determinants of health?

Social determinants of health (SDOH) include where people are born, live, learn, work, play, worship, and age that affect a wide range of health and quality of life outcomes and risks.

When SDOH data is appropriately collected, used, and securely shared, it can play a critical role in improving health and healthcare outcomes.

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