

Social Determinants of Health (SDOH)

Hospice MSW Training
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- To help identify patients who are at risk of experiencing poor health outcomes due to social determinants of health (SDOH), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is implemented a new measure Jan. 1, 2024, which requires the assessment and documentation of six key social determinants of health prior to the discharge of a patient. While the CMS requirements will be in effect Jan. 1, 2024, Providence began requiring the assessment by all acute care ministries starting Sept. 19, 2023, to allow time to identify and address barriers prior to 2024.
- Our SDOH gathers data about: Financial Resource Strain, Food Insecurity, Housing, and Utilities

SDOH data is gathered during the psychosocial assessment

- Hospice SDOH pilot project started in July 2022 with Access MSWs competing SDOH in a chart note with a smart phrase. Then an office staff person would enter the SDOH information into Hyperspace.
- Thankfully, in March 2023 ROVER became accessible on our iPhones, we began entering SDOH there as the info flows into Hyperspace. This eliminated duplicate data entry!
- Fortunately, it is a simple process to gather the data and enter it into ROVER.
- Note, the SDOH data must be entered BEFORE your synch your psychosocial assessment.

Entering SDOH into ROVER

- Open pt in ROVER
- Scroll down to Social Determinants of Health & use drop down menu
- Click “Assessment” at the bottom
- Complete: Financial Resource Strain, Food Insecurity, Housing, & Utilities sections & click “Done” at the top

