## Project Description / Purpose

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| **Project Name:** | *Social Determinants of Health Screening* |
| **Clinic:** | *Arbor Medical Partner practices* |
| **Process:** | *Distribution of screening tool, documentation of results, and closed loop referral process*  *for needed concerns* |
| **TIP 2.0 Process Milestone:** | *Milestone 3* |
| **Project Description / Purpose** | |
| *Screening for health-related social needs (or social determinants of health) allows a clinician to assess a comprehensive*  *history of lifestyle and social factors that impact health. Screening for HRSN has demonstrated a positive impact on*  *health outcomes, decrease in emergency room visit, and improved establishment of healthy habits. Barriers to seeking*  *health care, lifestyle choices, and/or safety are easier to identify and interventions offered. Screening in a pediatric*  *primary care practice impacts both the pediatric patient and the overall health of the family.* | |

## Project Overview

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| **Problem Summary:** | *Consistent and universal screening for health-related social needs of the pediatric*  *population improved health outcome and reduces overall healthcare costs. Screening*  *has also been demonstrated to decrease health disparities. Variable studies have*  *suggested that 19-65% of families screened report at least one HRSN. Of those who*  *reported a HRSN, 22-58% accepted resources to address these needs. Barriers include*  *time limits to address such issues, clinicians feeling unable to address identified needs,*  *trust and/or reluctance of patients to divulge concerns. A recent study suggests that*  *patients are more likely to answer HRSN screening electronically versus paper. While*  *access to internet is also a barrier, having access to inoffice electronic screening can help*  *relieve this. Thus this program strives to assess HRSN to improve health behaviors and*  *outcomes while decreasing barrier and disparities in receiving care.* |
| **Desired Outcome(s):** | *1. Institute and increase routine HRSN (SDOH) screening annually*  *2. Establish relationship with community based referral source to address*  *identified needs on screening*  *3. Connect families with identified needs with community resources*  *4. Decrease barriers to receiving health care*  *5. Create efficient and effective screening workflow that* |
| **Benefits:** | *With effective screening that limits barriers and a workflow that connects needs with*  *resources, a decrease in social needs that negatively impact health are decreased and*  *health outcomes in children, family and later adults are improved.* |

## Timeline

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|  | **Description of Task and Completion Dates** |
| **Task 1** | *Task 1 Assessment of current strategies for assessing HRSN within Arbor practices – Feb 29, 2024* |
| **Task 2** | *Task 2 Research and choose a evidence based HRSN screening tool – March 30, 2024* |
| **Task 3** | *Task 3 Develop relationship with community based referral organization and secure resources needed for*  *closed loop referral process - April 30, 2024* |
| **Task 4** | *Task 4 Develop workflow for administering screening tool and secure resources needed - April 30, 2024* |
| **Task 5** | *Task 5 Pilot screening workflow in 2 Arbor practices – May 20, 2024* |

\* Add new rows as needed.

## Project Scope

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| **In Scope Project Objectives** |
| *Objective for this project is to utilize quality improvement strategies to establish an effective and efficient HRSN*  *(SDOH) screening workflow for pediatric primary care practices of Arbor Medical Partner that includes a closed loop*  *referral process that connects families with needs with a community based referral resource.* |
| **Out of Scope Project Objectives or Activities** |
| *This project does not address area for which additional screening tools are utilized, such as behavioral health*  *diagnosis or developmental delay. No additional staff can be hired to meet these objectives, and minimal impact*  *should be made on current clinician and staff visit length.* |

## Project Team

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| **Team Lead:** | Kim Briggs | **Project Champion:** | Kim Briggs |
| **Process Owner:** | Kim Briggs | **Process Manager:** | Kim Briggs |

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## Signatures

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| **Process Owner** |  |
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