

# 2025 Meridian Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) Incentive Program



Meridian recognizes that health care goes beyond standard testing and treatments and includes screening patients for social determinants that may have a negative impact on their health. To reward providers for this work, Meridian is pleased to share our new SDoH incentive program.

Effective January 1, 2025, all providers are eligible for incentives for screening patients for SDoH needs. Screening for SDoH needs and providing resources and services to address them has been found to reduce health risks and decrease the cost of care leading to healthier patients overall. Meridian would like to reward our providers who are going above and beyond to care for their patients' whole health. We look forward to our continued partnership to provide the best care for our members!

## Qualifications for program:

- Contracted

## Incentive structure:

- \$1.00 per eligible Z-code billed.
  - 200 code annual limit per TIN.
- \$5.00 per SDoH screening completed.
  - Eligible screening instruments and corresponding LOINC codes\* are detailed beginning on page 2.
  - Limited to one screening per adult member (18 years of age and up), per year.

Eligible Z-codes include all the ICD-10 codes in the range of Z55-Z65 (persons with potential health hazards related to socioeconomic and psychosocial circumstances). Please see the category descriptions below:

Code	Description
Z55	Problems related to education and literacy
Z56	Problems related to employment/unemployment
Z57	Occupational exposure to risk factors
Z58	Problems related to physical environment
Z59	Problems related to housing and economic circumstances
Z60	Problems related to social environment
Z62	Problems related to upbringing
Z63	Other problems related to primary support group, including family circumstances
Z64	Problems related to certain psychosocial circumstances
Z65	Problems related to other psychosocial circumstances

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## Eligible SDoH screening instruments and correlating LOINC codes:

Food Insecurity Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	88122-7
	88123-5
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	88122-7
	88123-5
Health Leads Screening Panel®	95251-5
Hunger Vital Sign™ (HVS)	88124-3
Protocol for Responding to and Assessing Patients' Assets, Risks and Experiences [PRAPARE]®	93031-3
Safe Environment for Every Kid (SEEK)®	95400-8
	95399-2
U.S. Household Food Security Survey [U.S. FSS]	95264-8
U.S. Adult Food Security Survey [U.S. FSS]	95264-8
U.S. Child Food Security Survey [U.S. FSS]	95264-8
U.S. Household Food Security Survey–Six-Item Short Form (U.S. FSS)	95264-8
We Care Survey	96434-6
WellRx Questionnaire	93668-2

Housing Instability and Homelessness Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	71802-3
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	99550-6
Children's Health Watch Housing Stability Vital Signs™	98976-4
	98977-2
	98978-0
Health Leads Screening Panel®	99550-6
Protocol for Responding to and Assessing Patients' Assets, Risks and Experiences [PRAPARE]®	93033-9
	71802-3
We Care Survey	96441-1
WellRx Questionnaire	93669-0

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Housing Inadequacy Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	96778-6
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	96778-6

Transportation Insecurity Instruments	Screening Item LOINC Codes
Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Screening Tool	93030-5
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool	99594-4
Comprehensive Universal Behavior Screen (CUBS)	89569-8
Health Leads Screening Panel®	99553-0
Protocol for Responding to and Assessing Patients' Assets, Risks and Experiences [PRAPARE]®	93030-5
PROMIS®	92358-1
WellRx Questionnaire	93671-6

## Additional Notes:

- Incentives for this program include Meridian and Healthy Michigan Plan members only. This program excludes MeridianComplete (Medicare-Medicaid Plan), Ambetter from Meridian, and Wellcare members.
- Payments will be made to the servicing provider or the affiliated PHO group based on contract specifications.
- For more information on the Meridian Provider Incentive Programs, please contact Quality Improvement or your Provider Network Management Representative.

\*LOINC codes are generally submitted through HL7 messages and data feeds. If your organization is set up to transmit HL7 messages/data feeds to Meridian/Centene, you can begin transmitting LOINC codes now. Please reach out to your Quality Practice Advisor for more information.

**Meridian maintains the right to modify or discontinue the SDoH Incentive Program at any time. Program funding for all lines of business is subject to change and updating at any time during the program year. Payments will not exceed budgeted amounts. Payments will be indexed as needed.**