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Social Determinants of Health Data Capture

*This bulletin amends and supersedes the first (originally issued 9/24/18) to clarify that a diagnosis code that is allowable for payment should be in the primary position on the claim form, but all other applicable diagnoses, including the SDOH codes can be on the secondary, tertiary, etc. lines.

As demonstrated by national and international findings, Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) contribute to overall outcomes of care at a disproportionate rate. At the Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual Disability Services (DBHIDS), we are working toward including these data into program planning, outcomes measurement, population health management, and risk adjusted rate development. This Bulletin originally went into effect 10/24/2018, and the clarifications are in effect as of 10/31/18.

To support this important initiative, providers are expected to use the additional diagnosis fields on the standard claim form to fully describe the social factors of the person being served. This is a change in claims submission standards that expands the use of diagnosis submitted on a claim from the primary and secondary billing diagnoses to the codes that fully describe a person's SDOH factors.

With the implementation of International Classification of Disease 10 (ICD-10) there are now several codes that allow for the full clinical and social presentation of a person. Community Behavioral Health (CBH)/DBHIDS still requires that the primary diagnoses on submitted claims are allowable for payment by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (PA-DHS) and the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS); therefore, the SDOH codes cannot be in the primary placement on the claim form. They can, however, be included in the fields for diagnosis as descriptors of the specific individual receiving services, or as the secondary diagnosis as long as the primary diagnosis is allowable by PA-DHS and CMS. We expect providers to include all diagnoses on the claim to provide a more extensive picture of the individuals being served.

Below are the 5 primary SDOH categories followed by the associated ICD codes we would like to capture:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Economic Stability<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Employment○ Food Insecurity○ Housing Instability○ Poverty● Education<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Early Childhood Education and Development○ Enrollment in Higher Education○ High School Graduation○ Language and Literacy● Social and Community Context<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Civic Participation○ Discrimination○ Incarceration○ Social Cohesion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Health and Health Care<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Access to Health Care○ Access to Primary Care○ Health Literacy● Neighborhood and Built Environment<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Access to Foods that Support Healthy Eating Patterns○ Crime and Violence○ Environmental Conditions○ Quality of Housing
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Available “Z” codes/Classifications:

ICD-10-CM	ICD Definition of Code	DBHIDS Inclusion to Definition	Five Categories
Z59.1	Inadequate housing		Economic
Z59.4	Lack of adequate food or safe drinking water		Economic
Z59.5	Extreme poverty		Economic
Z59.6	Low income		Economic
Z59.7	Insufficient social insurance or welfare support		Economic
Z55.9	Academic or educational problem		Education
Z75.3	Unavailability or inaccessibility of health care facilities	Unavailability, inaccessibility of health care facilities or inadequacy of prescribed and/or followed treatment	Health
Z62.810	Personal history (past history) of physical abuse in childhood	Includes sexual abuse or neglect	Health
Z63.5	Disruption of family by separation or divorce		Health
Z59.0	Homelessness		Neighborhood
Z65.4	Victim of crime		Neighborhood
Z59.3	Problem related to living in a residential institution		Social and Community
Z60.4	Social exclusion or rejection		Social and Community
Z60.5	Target of (perceived) adverse discrimination or persecution		Social and Community
Z64.4	Discord with social service provider, including probation officer, case manager, or social services worker		Social and Community
Z65.1	Imprisonment or other incarceration	Includes arrest and conviction as well as imprisonment	Social and Community
Z75.4	Unavailability or inaccessibility of other helping agencies		Social and Community
Z91.410	Personal history (past history) of spouse or partner violence, Physical	Includes any history, current abuse or sexual or psychological abuse/ violence	Social and Community

Please direct all inquiries regarding these changes to the CBH Claims Department at 215-413-7125.