The Patient Advisory Council and Social Determinants of Health Screening

OHSU Family Medicine at Richmond

OHSU Family Medicine at Richmond Quick Facts:

- Federally Qualified Health Center in Portland, Oregon
- Over 15,000 patients use Richmond as their primary care medical home, with an average of 209 patient visits per day.
- Approximately 55% of our population falls under the Federal Poverty Level.
- 68% of our population has Medicare, Medicaid, or is uninsured.

Our Model: The Patient Advisory Council

- The Council meets every two months
- Members serve 2 year terms with opportunity to re-apply with no maximum term
- Patient advisors represent many diverse experiences, cultures, and backgrounds
- Discussions range from routine SDH and Trauma Informed Care topics to monthly presentations from staff on specific projects they seek patient feedback on

SDH and the Patient Advisory Council: An Example of Our Process

In September of 2018 we began to design a workflow with the assistance of our SDH Coordinator, Behavioral Health Supervisor, Resource Specialist, and newly hired Community Health Workers (CHW). With knowledge of previous attempts at SDH screening within our clinic that were unsuccessful, we used this information to develop a process that adapted a pre-screening form utilized in the Empathic Inquiry Learning Collaborative from the Oregon Primary Care Association (OPCA).

Throughout the development of this program, we involved the Patient Advisory Council in multiple steps from the workflow, impact on medical assistants, and editing the pre-screening document. Over the course of six months our PAC was an integral to the process of finalizing this screening document and workflow. They provided feedback that confirmed our suspicions, contradicted our assumptions, and highlighted concerns we had not considered.

Highlights from the PAC Meetings:

- PAC members mentioned that we do not need to explicitly state what SDH are and why they are important; they shared that they have understood this for a long time and the medical system is behind on understanding the impact of SDH.
- Icons: Our team was concerned about the translatability of icons across cultures, but one PAC member stated "If this didn't have icons on it, it wouldn't draw me in at all I wouldn't even want to do this form!"
- Intersection of Trauma Informed Care, Health Literacy, and SDH: Many members recognize potentially triggering icons and provided further guidance about more trauma informed and easily understood examples (i.e. relationship safety, money, language, medicine).



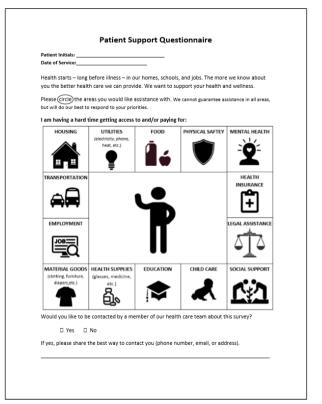
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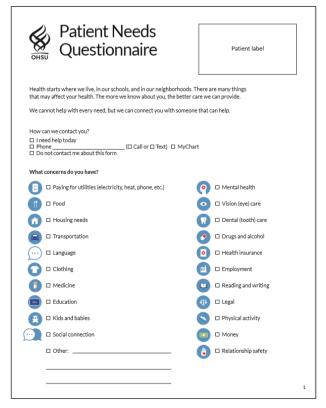


Finalizing a SDH Screener: Informed by the OHSU Richmond Patient Advisory Council

OPCA Pre-screener: OHSU Richmond adapted this document



Draft 1#: SDH Screener at OHSU Richmond





Final Draft: After multiple PAC reviews Draft #2: After initial PAC Review

