

# Social Determinants of Health

# 2024 ICD-10-CM Codes and Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting

## Z Codes Guideline Revision

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For social determinants of health **classified to chapter 2I**, such as information found in categories Z55-Z65, Persons with potential health hazards related to socioeconomic and psychosocial circumstances, code assignment may be based on medical record documentation from clinicians involved in the care of the patient who are not the patient's provider since this information represents social information, rather than medical diagnoses. *For example, coding professionals may utilize documentation of social information from social workers, community health workers, case managers, or nurses, if their documentation is included in the official medical record.*

- **Persons with potential health hazards related to socioeconomic and psychosocial circumstances (Z55-Z65)**

- Z55 Problems related to education and literacy
- Z56 Problems related to employment and unemployment
- Z57 Occupational exposure to risk factors
- 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

The 5 **most utilized** Z codes from this article were:

- Z59.0 – Homelessness
- Z60.2 – Problems related to living alone
- Z63.4 – Disappearance and death of family member
- Z65.8 – Other specified problems related to psychosocial circumstances, and
- Z63.0 – Problems in relationship with spouse or partner