

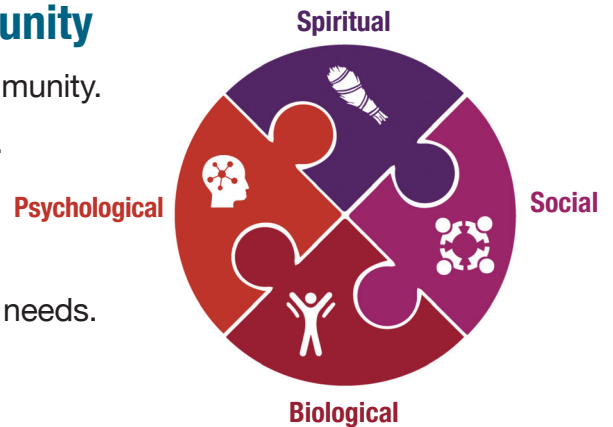
Helping American Indian or Alaska Native people with pain

Engage patients in decisions about what treatment options are best. Strict evidence-based recommendations may not fit within individual beliefs or community practices.

Focus on the whole person within their community

- Use words or terminology reflective of the culture or the community.
- Understand the role of culture in the patient's health choices.
- Identify people who will support treatment.
- Respect the patient's path or selected treatment approach.
- Provide practical assistance to address health-related social needs.

www.heal.nih.gov/news/stories/native-cultures



Help ensure basic social needs are met

Patients who are struggling with the social determinants of health (SDOH) or health-related social needs require support and assistance to address needs in order to best engage with treatment.

Health-related social needs

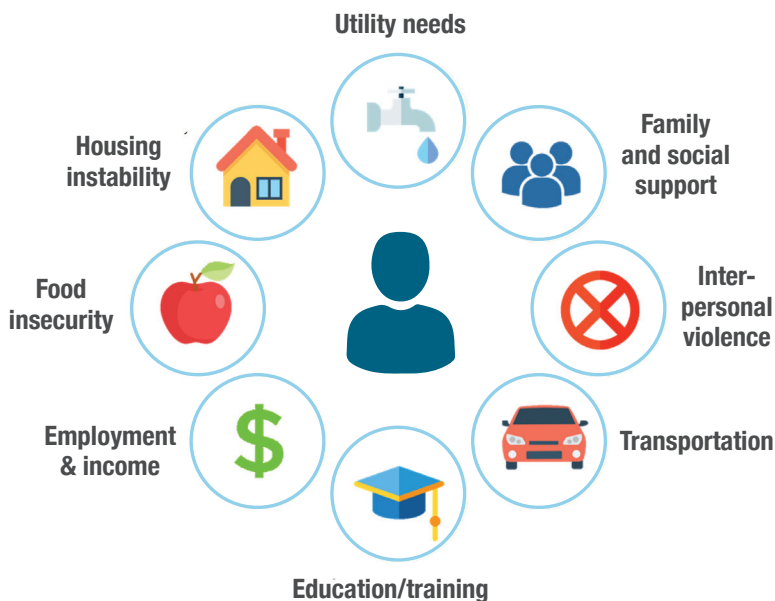


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Consider screening for SDOH with one of these validated tools based on your practice's individual needs:

1. **Accountable Health Communities (AHC):** www.bit.ly/CMS_screen
2. **Health Leads Social Needs Screening Toolkit:** www.bit.ly/SN_screen
3. **American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Social Needs Screening Tool:** www.bit.ly/2GTFFqz
4. **PCCS SUD 101 Core Curriculum (2023):** www.bit.ly/PCSS_SUD



These are general recommendations only; specific clinical decisions should be made by the treating clinician based on an individual patient's clinical condition.

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