



Seniors Count Community Connections Pre-Screening Matrix

Community Connections

The *Seniors Count Community Connections* initiative is designed for frail seniors in the Manchester service area that need extra coordination of services ie; medical services, community living/social services, and caregivers support. To determine if your client is an appropriate referral to *Seniors Count Community Connections* they must have two or more domains at level one (1), two (2) or three (3). Circle appropriate acuity. If client meets criteria, refer to the Seniors Count Community Liaison within your organization.

DOMAIN	1	2	3	4	5
1. Financial Resources	No income. Insufficient or no retirement funds. Bills greatly exceed income in multiple areas. Unable to apply for or unaware of state programs.	Inadequate income or inappropriate spending. Bills for basic needs cannot be paid. Outstanding judgments or garnishments.	Meets basic needs with subsidy or assistance. Begins appropriate spending. Needs access to public assistance	Meets basic needs. Manages debt without assistance. Moderate budgeting skills	Income is sufficient
2. Housing and Home Safety	Homeless, in foreclosure, or facing imminent eviction. Home or residence is not safe. Possible APS involvement.	In transitional, temporary or substandard housing. Current rent/mortgage payment unaffordable. Safety issues significant but not life threatening. Substantive oversight needed.	In safe, stable housing. Needs minimal support. Household is safe with support but future uncertain.	Adequate subsidized housing. Needs minimal support. Household is safe with support but future uncertain.	Household is safe, adequate, and affordable.
3. Food and Nutrition	No food or unable to prepare it. Relies to a significant degree on other sources of free or low-cost food.	Meals are missed at least one day per week.	Can meet basic food needs with home delivery, but requires assistance.	Can meet basic food needs without assistance	Can choose to purchase any food household desires
4. Utilities	Utility shut off.	Unable to pay utility bill. Notice of eminent shut off. Utility repair urgent.	Sporadic payment of utility bills without oversight.	Needs minor assistance to budget and pay for utility bills	Bills are paid with regularity.
5. Health Care	Significant health concern unmet by health care provision. No medical coverage with immediate need.	Great difficulty accessing medical care when needed. Intermittent health care needs unmet. Inability to pay for or understand health care financing for specific need.	Occasional unmet needs. May delay, reduce or omit needed care. Does not follow routine healthcare.	Can obtain medical care when needed, but may not follow preventative care or may strain budget.	Covered by affordable, adequate health insurance including some preventative care
6. Legal	Current outstanding tickets, impending lawsuits or warrants of other unresolved legal issues.	Current charges/trial pending. Noncompliance with legal issues impacting housing. Needs representation.	Compliant with plan to resolve other legal issues or has secured representation.	Has successfully completed requirements, no new charges filed or recently resolved other legal issues.	No active legal issues in more than 12 months
7. Mental Health, Psycho-social	Danger to self or others. Recurring suicidal ideation. Experiencing severe difficulty in day-to-day life due to psychological problems.	Recurrent mental health symptoms that may affect behavior, but not a danger to self/others. Persistent problems with functioning due to mental health symptoms or dementia.	Mild symptoms may be present but are transient. Only moderate difficulty in functioning due to mental health problems.	Minimal symptoms that are acceptable responses to life stressors. Only slight impairments in functioning.	Symptoms are absent or rare. Good functioning in wide range of activities. No more than every day problems or concerns.

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8. Substance Abuse	Meets criteria for severe abuse/dependence. Resulting problems so severe that institutional living or hospitalization may be necessary.	Meets criteria for dependence; preoccupation with use and/or obtaining drugs/alcohol; withdrawal or withdrawal avoidance behaviors evident; use results in avoidance or neglect of essential life activities.	Use within last 6 months; evidence of persistent or recurrent social, work, emotional or physical problems related to use (disruptive behavior or housing problems); problems have persisted for at least one month.	Client has used during 6 months, but no evidence of persistent or recurrent social, occupational, emotional, or physical problems related to use; no evidence of recurrent dangerous use.	No drug use/alcohol abuse in last 6 months.
9. Mobility	No access to transportation, public or private. May have care that is inoperable. Unable to obtain accompaniment for life threatening medical appointments.	Transportation is available, but unreliable, unpredictable, unaffordable. Has informal rides, but needs financial help to pay.	Transportation is available and reliable, but limited and/or inconvenient. Needs assistance finding transportation at times.	Transportation is generally accessible to meet basic travel needs.	Transportation is readily available and affordable.
10. Family Relations and other Social Support	Lack of necessary support from family or friends. Abuse (DV, elder, financial) is present or there is neglect.	Family/friends may be supportive, but lack ability or resources to help. Family members do not relate well with one another. Potential for abuse or neglect.	Some support from family/friends. Family members acknowledge and seek to change negative behaviors; are learning to communicate and support.	Adequate support from family or friends. Household members support each other's efforts.	Has viable support network. Communication is consistently open
11. Life Skills	Unable to meet basic needs such as hygiene, food, and activities of daily living.	Can meet a few but not most needs of daily living without assistance.	Can meet most but not all daily living needs without assistance.	Able to meet all basic needs of daily living with assistance.	Able to provide beyond basic needs of daily living for self and family.