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MDHHS seeks advisory council participants for Social Determinants of Health Hub pilots

LANSING, Mich. – The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will launch five [Social Determinants of Health \(SDOH\) Hub pilots](#) in January 2024 and is seeking participants across the state to serve on the SDOH Hub Advisory Council. The pilot is part of the 2022-2024 MDHHS SDOH Strategy, [Michigan's Roadmap to Healthy Communities](#) and brings together resources at the state and local level for a greater impact in communities.

SDOH hubs bring community members, health and social care professionals working to address social determinants of health including social workers and housing providers, government partners and business leaders together to improve health equity.

SDOH hubs are coalition of local partners that align efforts to addresses the many non-medical factors influencing health outcomes like access to food, housing, transportation and other social drivers of health. By providing a shared mission, SDOH hubs encourage local partners to work together toward a common objective — mitigating health disparities based on the needs of their community's residents.

"When we listen to community members and the lived experiences of people who have experienced barriers to health and well-being, we are better able to increase health equity and reduce health disparities," said Elizabeth Hertel, director.

To learn more about the SDOH Hubs and to apply for the SDOH Hub Advisory Council, [visit our website](#). Questions related to the SDOH Hub pilots can be sent to MDHHS-SDOH-PolicyandPlanning@michigan.gov.

More information about the first cohort of SDOH Hub pilot projects will be shared at [the second annual SDOH Virtual Summit Jan. 23 – 25, 2024](#). This statewide event will mark the launch of phase III *Roadmap* initiatives and will feature how communities across Michigan are addressing SDOH and advancing health equity. Community residents and partners are encouraged to attend the SDOH Summit to learn more about the social factors that impact health and what Michigan partners are doing to support communities.

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