

Unraveling the Influence of Social Determinants of Health

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Abstract: This project delves into the intricate relationship between social determinants of health (SDOH) and their profound effects on individual and community well-being. Through an examination of various socioeconomic, environmental, and cultural factors, we elucidate how SDOH shape health outcomes and disparities at Northside Hospital for the first quarter of 2024. By analyzing access to healthcare, education, employment, housing, and social support systems, we unveil the multifaceted nature of SDOH and their significant implications for public health policy and practice. This comprehensive understanding underscores the urgent need to address and track SDOH to promote health equity and enhance overall population health.