Improving Access to and Equity of Care for People with Serious Illness



A View from the Safety Net: San Francisco Health Network

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- Relationship of health and poverty
- Role of safety net
- Vulnerabilities impacting care
- Promising interventions

## Health Poverty Trap



Khullar D, Chokshi DA. Health, Income, And Poverty: Where We Are And What Could Help," Health Affairs Health Policy Brief, October 4, 2018.

# Safety Net Role

### **INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE**

"Those providers that organize and deliver a significant level of health care and other health-related services to **uninsured**, **Medicaid**, and other vulnerable patients."

## In US, Medicaid Covers: 1 in 7 adults, ages 19-64 2 în 5 children 3 in 5 nursing home residents 4 in 9 individuals ith disabilities in 5 Medicare neficiaries Kaiser Family Foundation, Medicaid in the United States. November 2018

# Multiplicity of Vulnerabilities



## Multiplicity of Needs

LEP

LFHL

food insecurity

housing

Insurance

**Pregnancy-related work benefits** Problems with a current or former job Mental health care for adult in household Disability interfering with ability to work Cut off or denied from benefits programs No primary care or regular doctor Child's mental health care Medical bills No health insurance Other housing concerns Unhealthy living environment Not having a place to live Difficulty finding a job **Running out of food Difficulty paying utility bills** 

### **FREQUENCY OF NEED**



Data courtesy of Laura Gottlieb

## **Universal Access to Care**



### Perspective Golden Gate to Health Care for All? San Francisco's New Universal-Access Program

Mitchell H. Katz, M.D.

#### January 24, 2008

N Engl J Med 2008; 358:327-329 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMp0706590

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## **Screening and Connection for Social Needs**

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## Addressing Food Insecurity



### Cod and 'Immune Broth': California Tests Food as Medicine



Emma Esquivel, a volunteer at the Ceres Community Project in Sebastopol, Calif., making mushroom burgers for cancer patients. The nonprofit group is participating in a state-funded study to test whether meals delivered to the chronically ill affect prognosis or the costs of care, Ramin Rahimian for The New York Times

By Patricia Leigh Brown

May 11, 2018

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