



## Social Determinants of Health

***A MUST for public health officials, health promotion specialists, and public policy experts***

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Recognition of the power of socioeconomic factors as determinants of health came initially from research on health inequalities. Thus, exercise and accidents are as much about a society's transport system as about individual choice. But a major new element in the picture we have developed is the importance of the social, or psycho-social, environment to health. For example, health in the workplace for most employees - certainly for office workers - is less a matter of exposure to physical health hazards as of the social environment, of how supportive it is, whether people have control over their work, whether their jobs are secure. A similar picture emerges in other areas ranging from the health importance of the emotional environment in early childhood to the need for more socially cohesive communities.

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