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The project aims to strengthen the centralised approach of SHARE with the aim to combine scientific excellence with cohesion across all 28 SHARE member countries. Specifically, the project will support the supra-national innovation and development tasks to be executed by the Area Coordinators (scientific content) and the survey designers (fieldwork methods and electronic tools) during Waves 8-10 of SHARE.

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Health Care Module

HC801_Intro (INTRO HEALTH CARE)

Now we have some questions about your doctor visits and your health insurance coverage.

1. Continue

HC125_Satisfaction_with_Insurance (SATISFACTION WITH INSURANCE)

Let us begin with your health insurance. Overall, how satisfied are you with your own coverage in your basic health insurance/national health system? Are you
Read out.;

1. very satisfied
2. somewhat satisfied
3. somewhat dissatisfied
4. very dissatisfied

HC113_SuppHealthInsurance (ANY SUPPLEMENTARY HEALTH INSURANCE)

Do you have any supplementary health insurance that pays for health services not covered by your basic health insurance/national health system/ third party payer? These services may include in-patient services, health examinations, office visits, dental care, other treatments or drugs.

1. Yes
5. No

HC116_LongTermCareInsurance (HAS LONGTERM CARE INSURANCE)

Do you have any of the following public or private long-term care insurances?

Read out.; Code all that apply.;

If unclear, explain: Long-term care insurance helps cover the cost of long-term care. It generally covers home care, assisted living, adult daycare, respite care, hospice care, and stays in nursing homes or residential care facilities. Some of the long-term care services might be covered by your health insurance.

1. Public
2. Private mandatory
3. Private voluntary/supplementary
96. None

CHECK: (NOT((count(HC116_LongTermCareInsurance) > 1 AND ((a96 IN (HC116_LongTermCareInsurance)))) [You cannot select '96' together with any other answer. Please change your answer.:])

HC602_STtoMDoctor (SEEN OR TALKED TO MEDICAL DOCTOR)

During the last 12 months, that is since ^FLLastYearMonth;, about how many times in total have you seen or talked to a medical doctor or qualified/registered nurse about your health? Please exclude dentist visits and hospital stays, but include emergency room or outpatient clinic visits.

Please also count contacts by telephone or other means.

NUMBER [0..366]

IF (HC602_STtoMDoctor > 0)

HC876_ContactsGP (CONTACTS GP)

How many of these contacts were with a general practitioner or with a doctor at your health care center?

NUMBER [0..366]

CHECK: (NOT(HC876_ContactsGP > HC602_STtoMDoctor)) [The number cannot be higher than the overall number of contacts.;

HC877_ContactsSpecialist (CONTACTS SPECIALISTS)

How many of these contacts were with a specialist, excluding dentist and emergency visits? Specialist doctors could be for instance ophthalmologist, gynaecologist, cardiologist, psychiatrist, rheumatologist, orthopedist, ENT specialist, geriatrician, neurologist, gastroenterologist, radiologist...

NUMBER [0..366]

CHECK: (NOT(HC877_ContactsSpecialist > HC602_STtoMDoctor)) [The number cannot be higher than the overall number of contacts.;

ENDIF

HC884_Flu (FLU)

In the last year, that is since ^FLLastYearMonth;, did you have a flu vaccination?

- 1. Yes
- 5. No

HC885_EyeExam (EYE EXAM)

In the last two years, that is since ^FLTTwoYearsBackMonth;, have you had an eye exam performed by an eye care professional such as an ophthalmologist or optometrist?

- 1. Yes
- 5. No

IF (MN002_Person[1].Gender = a2)

HC886_Mammogram (MAMMOGRAM)

In the last two years, that is since ^FLTTwoYearsBackMonth;, have you had a mammogram (x-ray of the breast)?

- 1. Yes
- 5. No

ENDIF

HC887_ColonCancerScreening (COLON CANCER SCREENING)

Some health care providers do tests such as test for detecting hidden blood in your stool, sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy to check for colon cancer. In the past two years, that is since ^FLTTwoYearsBackMonth;, have you had any of these tests?

1. Yes
5. No

HC010_SNaDentist (SEEN A DENTIST/DENTAL HYGIENIST)

During the last twelve months, that is since ^FLLastYearMonth;, have you seen a **dentist** or a dental hygienist?

Visits for routine controls, for dentures and stomatology consultations included

1. Yes
5. No

HC012_PTinHos (IN HOSPITAL LAST 12 MONTHS)

During the last twelve months, that is since ^FLLastYearMonth;, have you been in a hospital overnight? Please consider stays in medical, surgical, psychiatric or in any other specialised wards.

1. Yes
5. No

IF (HC012_PTinHos = a1)

HC013_TiminHos (TIMES BEING PATIENT IN HOSPITAL)

How many times have you been a patient in a hospital overnight during the last twelve months?

Count separate occasions only.

NUMBER [0..1000000000000000000]

IF (HC013_TiminHos = 1)

HC888_TypeHos (TYPE HOSPITALISATION ONCE)

Was this stay in hospital planned or was it an emergency?

1. Planned
2. Emergency

ELSE

IF (HC013_TiminHos > 1)

HC890_TypeHosSeveral (TYPE HOSPITALISATION MORE THAN ONCE)

Were these stays in hospital all planned, or were they all emergencies, or both?

1. Planned
2. Emergency
3. Both

ENDIF

ENDIF

HC014_TotNightsinPT (TOTAL NIGHTS STAYED IN HOSPITAL)

How many nights altogether have you spent in hospitals during the last twelve months?

NUMBER [1..365]

ENDIF

HC064_InOthInstLast12Mon (IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS LAST 12 MONTHS)

During the last twelve months, have you been a patient overnight in any health care facility other than a hospital, for instance in institutions for medical rehabilitation, convalescence, etc.? Please do not include stays in nursing homes/residential care facilities.

1. Yes
5. No

IF (HC064_InOthInstLast12Mon = a1)

HC066_TotNightStayOthInst (TOTAL NIGHTS STAYED IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS)

How many nights altogether have you spent in any institution other than a hospital or a nursing home during the last twelve months?

NUMBER [1..365]

ENDIF

HC841_ForgoCareCost (FORGO CARE COST)

Please look at card 19. During the last twelve months, which of the following types of care did you forgo because of the costs you would have to pay, if any?

Code all that apply.;

- SET OF
1. Care from a general practitioner
 2. Care from a specialist physician
 3. Drugs
 4. Dental care
 5. Optical care

6. Home care
7. Paid home help
96. None of these
97. Any other care not mentioned on this list

CHECK: (NOT((count(HC841_ForgoCareCost) > 1 AND ((a96 IN (HC841_ForgoCareCost)))) [You cannot select '96' together with any other answer. Please change your answer.:])

HC843_ForgoCareUnav (FORGO CARE UNAVAILABLE)

Please look at card 19. During the last twelve months, which of the following types of care did you forgo because they were not available or not easily accessible, if any?

Explain 'available': reasonably close to home, open at reasonable hours (from respondent's view point).

Code all that apply.;

SET OF 1. Care from a general practitioner

2. Care from a specialist physician
3. Drugs
4. Dental care
5. Optical care
6. Home care
7. Paid home help
96. None of these
97. Any other care not mentioned on this list

CHECK: (NOT((count(HC843_ForgoCareUnav) > 1 AND ((a96 IN (HC843_ForgoCareUnav)))) [You cannot select '96' together with any other answer. Please change your answer.:])

HC889_HealthLiteracy (HEALTH LITERACY)

How often do you need to have someone help you when you read instructions, pamphlets, or other written material from your doctor or pharmacy?

1. Always
2. Often
3. Sometimes
4. Rarely
5. Never

IF (MN024_NursingHome = a1)

HC127_AtHomeCare (TYPE OF HOME CARE)

We already talked about the difficulties you may have with various activities because of a health problem. Please look at card 20. During the last twelve months, that is since ^FLLastYearMonth;, did you receive in your own home any professional or paid services listed on this card due to a physical, mental, emotional or memory problem?

Code all that apply.;

SET OF 1. Help with **personal care**, (e.g. getting in and out of bed, dressing, bathing and showering)

2. Help with **domestic tasks** (e.g. cleaning, ironing, cooking)
3. **Meals-on-wheels** (i.e. ready made meals provided by a municipality or a private provider)
4. Help with other activities (e.g. filling a drug dispenser)
96. None of the above

CHECK: (NOT((count(HC127_AtHomeCare) > 1 AND ((a96 IN (HC127_AtHomeCare))))))
[You cannot select '96' together with any other answer. Please change your answer.];] IF ((a1
IN (HC127_AtHomeCare))

HC033_WksNursCare (WEEKS RECEIVED PROFESSIONAL NURSING CARE)

During the last twelve months, how many weeks did you receive professional or paid help with personal care in your own home?

COUNT 4 WEEKS FOR EACH FULL MONTH; COUNT 1 FOR PART OF ONE WEEK

NUMBER [1..52]

HC034_HrsNursCare (HOURS RECEIVED PROFESSIONAL NURSING CARE)

On average, how many hours per week did you receive professional or paid help with personal care at home?

ROUND UP TO FULL HOURS

NUMBER [1..168]

ENDIF

IF ((a2 IN (HC127_AtHomeCare))

HC035_WksDomHelp (WEEKS RECEIVED PAID DOMESTIC HELP)

During the last twelve months, how many weeks did you receive professional or paid help for domestic tasks at home (because you could not perform them yourself due to health problems)?

COUNT 4 WEEKS FOR EACH FULL MONTH; COUNT 1 FOR PART OF ONE WEEK

NUMBER [1..52]

HC036_HrsDomHelp (HOURS RECEIVED PAID DOMESTIC HELP)

On average, how many hours per week did you receive such professional or paid help?

ROUND UP TO FULL HOURS

NUMBER [1..168]

ENDIF

IF ((a3 IN (HC127_AtHomeCare))

HC037_WksMoW (WEEKS RECEIVED MEALS-ON-WHEELS)

During the last twelve months, how many weeks did you receive meals-on-wheels, because you could not prepare meals due to health problems?

COUNT 4 WEEKS FOR EACH FULL MONTH

NUMBER [1..52]

ENDIF

HC029_NursHome (IN A NURSING HOME)

During the last twelve months, that is since ^FLLastYearMonth;, have you been in a nursing home/residential care facility overnight?

When a respondent definitely moved to a nursing home less than 12 months ago, answer 1 (yes temporarily)

1. Yes, temporarily
3. Yes, permanently
5. No

CHECK: (NOT(HC029_NursHome = a3)) [At the beginning of this interview you entered that the R's home is not a nursing home. Now you have entered that the R lives permanently in a nursing home. Please enter a remark to explain;] IF ((HC029_NursHome = a1 OR (HC029_NursHome = a3))

HC751_Certifiednurse (At LEAST A NURSE)

Was there at least one (certified) nurse in the assistance or supervision staff?

1. Yes
5. No

ENDIF

IF (HC029_NursHome = a1)

HC031_WksNursHome (WEEKS STAYED IN A NURSING HOME)

During the last 12 months, how many weeks altogether did you stay in a nursing home or residential care facility?

Count 4 weeks for each full month; count 1 for part of one week

NUMBER [1..52]

ENDIF

IF ((HC029_NursHome = a1 OR (HC029_NursHome = a3))

HC696_OOP_NursingHomeYesNo (PAYED ANYTHING OUT OF POCKET NURSING HOME)

Did you pay anything yourself for nursing home stays or stays in residential care facilities in the last twelve months?

1. Yes
5. No

IF (HC696_OOP_NursingHomeYesNo = a1)

HC097_OOP_NursingHomeAmount (HOW MUCH PAYED OUT OF POCKET NURSING HOME)

How much did you pay overall for your nursing home stays or stays in residential care facilities in the last twelve months?

Enter an amount in ^FLCurr;

NUMBER [0..1000000000000000000]

IF (HC097_OOP_NursingHomeAmount = NONRESPONSE)

[Unfolding Bracket Sequence]

ENDIF

ENDIF

ENDIF

ENDIF

HC063_IntCheck (WHO ANSWERED THE QUESTIONS IN HC)

CHECK:

Who answered the questions in this section?

1. Respondent only
2. Respondent and proxy
3. Proxy only

ENDIF