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Abstract

Undocumented migrants are people within a country without the necessary documents and permits. They are considered at higher risk for health problems because of their irregular status and the consequences of economic and social marginalization. A systematic review found 122 documents that suggested policies and interventions to improve health care access and delivery for undocumented migrants. Undocumented migrants mostly have only access to emergency care across Europe, and even in the countries where they are fully entitled to health care, formal and informal barriers hinder their access. This raises concerns for both public health and migrant care. On the basis of findings, policy options are suggested regarding data collection, research, entitlement to health care, information and communication, training and intersectoral approaches.

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ABBREVIATIONS

CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CORDIS	Community Research and Development Information Service
EU	European Union
EUR-lex	EU law and other public EU documents
Eurostat	Statistical Office of the European Union
HEN	Health Evidence Network
HUMA	Health for Undocumented Migrants and Asylum seekers Network
MIPEX	Migrant Integration Policy Index
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PICUM	Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants
PRISMA	Transparent reporting of systematic reviews and meta-analyses
RESTORE	REsearch into implementation STRategies to support patients of different ORigins and language background in a variety of European primary care settings
SOPHIE	Evaluating the Impact of Structural Policies on Health Inequalities and their Social Determinants, and Fostering Change



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