Health inequalities – a constant obstacle for Roma inclusion

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1. Social and economic factors responsible for poor health

“Being healthy (or not) is not an individual choice, but primarily a result of the living, working and social environment in which people are born, grow and live.”

- Healthcare and prevention
- Employment
- Housing
- Education
- Nutrition, Environment
- Income
Substandard housing and its impact on individuals’ and communities’ health

Child growth
Women’s health
Persons with disabilities
Old persons

Chronic and non-communicable disease
Communicable disease and epidemics
Greater child mortality rates
Premature death
Commitment to improving health

Equality and non-discrimination

Race Equality Directive
Art.35 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU
National legislative frameworks
EU and national mechanisms for fighting against discrimination
EU Pillar of Social Rights
Principle 16 and principle 3
Post-2020 European Framework for Roma Equality and Inclusion

Human rights protection
Vision
Achieving social justice for Roma through a holistic approach towards Roma health including equal treatment in strategic areas such as healthcare and prevention, education, gender equality, income.....

Mission
Closing the gap in health between Roma and non-Roma by tackling the uneven distribution of environmental and social determinants responsible for physical and mental health and well-being.
Commitment

Create space for policy dialogue and civil society cross-sectorial cooperation

Encourage cooperation beyond the healthcare sector to close the health gap between Roma and non-Roma through advocacy, policy development, joint initiatives, capacity building and political and social empowerment

Address social and environmental determinants of health responsible for health inequalities

Promote sustainable and holistic initiatives at European and national level for reducing health inequalities
Thank you for your attention!

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