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Upcoming Event



Health and Housing in the EU Roma Framework European Public Health Alliance

12 October 10:00-11:30

A Roma Health Network event in which a policy paper on health and housing is presented. It points out some of the gaps that currently exist in national Roma inclusion strategies.

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International & European Institutions



Starting unequal: How's life for disadvantaged children?

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

This paper charts the well-being of children from socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds, and examines how the well-being of children from disadvantaged backgrounds compares both across OECD countries and relative to their more advantaged peers.

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How do nationals and non-nationals see their health?

Eurostat



In the EU in 2020, the share of non-nationals 16 years or older in a bad or very bad state of self-perceived health was lower than for nationals (7.8% for non-EU citizens and 7.2% for EU citizens except nationals, compared with 8.6% for nationals).

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Fundamental rights in the EU: long-standing problems exacerbated by COVID-19

European Parliament

The Parliament's latest assessment of the state of fundamental rights in the EU identifies numerous concerns and demands member states act in defence of European values.

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National Level

Tackling health inequalities in a public health organisation

International Journal for Equity in Health

The participation of Barcelona Public Health Agency staff allowed the organisation to design a shared plan of actions to address health inequalities, which could be useful for other municipalities whose political agendas include tackling inequalities in health.

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Working with local authorities to do what they can: implement the right approaches to reduce health inequalities

Institute for Health Equity

The report, Reducing Health Inequalities in Luton: A Marmot Town, is based on an assessment of data and local evidence and makes recommendations to reduce health inequalities and make Luton a fairer place to live, work, grow up and grow old in.

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Health care professionals in North Macedonia verify the Short Guide on identification and support of trafficking victims

Council of Europe

A guide for health professionals has been released in North Macedonia to help them identify and help victims of human trafficking and domestic violence. An excellent tool to provide aid to vulnerable groups.

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Research Developments



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Identifying and addressing health inequalities in asthma care

European Respiratory Journal

This issue of the European Respiratory Journal describes the existence of inequalities affecting asthma care in the Danish healthcare system

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Real-time racial discrimination causes nearly instantaneous spikes in stress hormones

PLoS One

Racial discrimination, including microaggressions, have an almost immediate physiological effect in Black people, potentially affecting their health long term.

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Racism and prostate cancer: a multilayered issue

Nature

Population-health researcher Joseph Ravenell explains the various origins of racial disparities in prostate cancer outcomes.

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Health Inequality Monitoring channel on OpenWHO: capacity strengthening through eLearning

International Journal for Equity in Health

WHO eLearning courses on health inequality monitoring are addressing the need for capacity strengthening in the collection, analysis and reporting of inequality data

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Systematic review of the effectiveness of the health inequalities strategy in England between 1999 and 2010

BMJ Open

With respect to its aims, the strategy was broadly successful. Policymakers should take courage that progress on health inequalities is achievable with long-term, multiagency, cross-government action.

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A Health Equity Checklist to Improve the Identification of Equity-Related Adverse Events

Obstet Gynecol

Through the use of a health equity checklist, we have illustrated the feasibility of creating a systematic and trackable process to begin delineating the role of social determinants of health, bias, and racism in adverse gynecologic events.

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Exploring the associations between discrimination and psychosocial health of young adults of colour

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences

Findings indicated that reporting higher mean levels of exposure to discrimination and encountering more discrimination than usual on a given week were both associated with poorer psychosocial health.

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Report: Global Health Inequalities: Research for a fairer future

The Academy of Medical Sciences

A report from two workshops on the effects of COVID-19 on health systems and vulnerable groups. It explores the health inequalities that were exacerbated by the pandemic, looking into how Universal Health Coverage could contribute to reducing these inequalities.

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Roma Health

From literacy levels to not talking about death: For Travellers, a dementia diagnosis comes with extra hurdles

Metro

An opinion article which covers the added barriers for Roma and Travellers to care for dementia. It also points out the need for healthcare professionals to redouble mediation efforts to ensure Roma and Travellers in Britain have the same access to care as non-Roma or non-Travellers

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In Spain, Scapegoating Spikes During the Pandemic

SAPIENS

An article about Spanish Gitanos being the subject of scapegoating for the COVID-19 pandemic. It also shows how Roma were disproportionately affected in other ways during the pandemic.

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Other News

New JAMA editor says she will focus on communication, diversity, and health equity

British Medical Journal

Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo said she will emphasise communication, diversity, and equity among authors, reviewers, and editors to improve public health. She became the journal's second female editor and first person of colour to lead the journal in its 139 year history.

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Health Brief: When being healthy is too costly

Euractiv

Out-of-pocket payments for healthcare carry a heavy burden for a number of Europeans, making them choose between basic needs and healthcare.

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\$200 Million Global Health Equity Fund

WHO Foundation

OurCrowd Launches \$200 Million Global Health Equity Fund in collaboration with the WHO Foundation at the Clinton Global Initiative, focusing on breakthrough technology solutions that can impact healthcare globally.



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UN Declares Right to a Healthy Environment: Can the EU Keep Up?

META (EEB)

An article about how the UN has recognised environmental health as a universal human right. This is the next step towards addressing environmental injustice and inequalities. Hope is that the EU will soon follow with its own measures towards environmental justice

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Reducing inequalities by investing in health-promoting care

EuroHealthNet

The demand for care is rising due to, among other things, rising levels of chronic diseases and the ageing of society. Our care systems might not have the financial means or human resources to provide for all who need it in the future.

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Developing clinical empathy to improve health equity

Wolters Kluwer

To improve health equity, clinicians need to develop, showcase, and implement clinical empathy in their care delivery to help rebuild decades of medical mistrust among marginalized groups.

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The myth of health inequities: changing the narrative around racism in health

Association of American Medical Colleges

Journalist and author Linda Villarosa unveils how racism — more than socioeconomic status or personal behavior — drives inequities.

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